





NINTIETH
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF HOPEDALE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1975



Hopedale
A Bicentennial
Community



COVER

Scenic View of Hopedale Pond
Third Prize Award
Massachusetts Selectmen's Association
Photography Contest – 1975

Photo by Angelo Rosati

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TOWN OF HOPEDALE

UNITED STATES SENATOR

Edward M. Kennedy
Edward W. Brooke

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Donald R. Dwight

TREASURER

Robert Q. Crane

GOVERNOR

Michael S. Dukakis

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Francis X. Bellotti

SECRETARY OF STATE

Paul H. Guzzi

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Joseph D. Early

AUDITOR

Thaddeus Buczko

STATE SENATOR MIDDLESEX AND WORCESTER DISTRICT

Daniel J. Foley

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Paul X. Tivnan

Phillip J. Philbin

Walter F. Kelly

REPRESENTATIVE GENERAL

(died Sept. 6, 1975)

COURT TENTH WORCESTER DISTRICT

Lillian M. Kelly

Thomas E. Creighton

(appt. Oct. 23, 1975)

GENERAL INTEREST

Town of Hopedale — Incorporated April 7, 1886

POPULATION

3,965

AREA

5.34 Square Miles

ELEVATION

271.94 feet above sea level
at Town Hall

ROAD MILEAGE

17.01 Not including State Highways

TAX RATE

\$63.00

REGISTERED VOTERS

2,312

ASSESSED VALUATION

Real Estate \$23,583,500.00
Personal Property \$795,770.00

ANNUAL ELECTION

First Monday in March

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

First Monday in May

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Town Moderator

Edwin A. Howard 1976

Selectmen

John A. Hayes (Chairman) 1976

Robert M. Phillips 1977

Richard T. Moore 1978

Town Clerk

Robert S. Phillips 1977

Treasurer

Anthony D. Perry 1978

Tax Collector

A. Harold Soderberg 1978

Board of Assessors

Alfred A. Norman (Chairman) 1977

Perry K. MacNevin 1976

Charles R. Cox 1978

School Committee

Vincent E. Rubeo (Chairman) 1976

Vincent J. Arone 1976

David S. Beard 1977

David T. Pagnini 1977

William D. Fitzgerald 1978

Trustees of Public Library

Howard L. Smith (Chairman) 1978

Leola Stearns 1976

Barbara Allen 1977

Road Commissioners

Merwin L. Noyes (Chairman) 1976

Nicholas J. Pannichelli 1977

Benjamin F. Phillips 1978

Park Commissioners

Thomas F. Stock (Chairman) 1976

David Guglielmi 1977

Charles E. Hensel, Jr. 1978

Housing Authority

Robert J. Brown (Chairman) 1977

M. Russell Dennett 1976

Harold W. Ward 1978

Edward J. Malloy 1979

Harold H. Stearns (State Appt.) 1979

Planning Board

Edward L. Condon (Chairman) 1978

Robert E. Barrows 1976

W. Gregory Burrill 1977

James W. Ronan 1979

John R. Cicchetti 1980

Member Blackstone Valley

Vocational Regional School Committee

Roger V. Burns 1978

Constables

Robert B. Taylor, Jr. 1977

Raymond J. Gaffney, Jr. 1977

John L. Moran, Jr. 1977

Anthony N. Tumolo 1977

W. Chester Sanborn 1977

Tree Warden

Richard Bethel 1977

Sewer Commissioners

Benjamin F. Phillips 1977

(Chairman)

Randell F. Sample 1976

Howard E. Whitney 1978

Board of Health

James P. Johnson (Chairman) 1976

Joan F. Drisko 1977

William C. Krauss 1978

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN — 1975

Administrative Assistant To Selectmen; Water Department Administrator		Inspector of Wires	
Bernard J. Stock	1976	Albert Shimkus	1976
		Rudolph Lewis (Assistant)	1976
Clerk of Selectmen		Forest Fire Warden	
Sandra A. Kimball	1976	Herbert S. Durgin	
(Resigned 2/24/75)		Board of Appeals	
Arlene P. Deiana (Appointed to fill vacancy 2/24/75)	1976	James Larkin (Chairman)	1977
		(Resigned 12/12/75)	
Finance Committee		Peter Young (Appointed to fill vacancy 12/22/75)	1977
Raymond E. Andreotti	1976	Eldon S. Biggs (Asst. Chairman)	1976
(Chairman)		Charles Espanet, Jr.	1976
Victor G. Lamothe	1976	Phillip Mallard	1976
James A. Chandler	1976	Linwood Wrenn	1978
(Resigned 6/9/75)		Associate Members	
Barbara Allen (Appointed to fill vacancy 11/17/75)	1976	Peter Young (Appointed to fill vacancy 3/24/75)	1976
Anita Drisko	1977	(Resigned 12/22/75 to become regular ZBA member)	
Rudolph Ferrucci	1977	Robert McCallum (Appointed to fill vacancy 12/22/75)	1976
Jeanette Maher	1977	Norma E. Thurston	1977
Ralph Boccasile	1978	Council On Aging	
Erik Luce	1978	Alfred French (Chairman)	1978
Bruce Lutz	1978	C. Victor Pepper	1976
Town Accountant		Edward Sannicandro	1976
Arthur C. Young	1977	James F. Tracy	1976
Assistant Town Accountant		Cora Girvin	1977
Alice S. Boyd	1976	Harold Stearns	1977
Board of Registrars		(Resigned 10/20/75)	
Paul Bresciani (Chairman)	1976	Ida McKeon (Appointed to fill vacancy 10/29/75)	1977
Eudoxia Carchio	1977	Amy Dewar	1978
Patricia Johnson	1978	Alfred Dinardo	1978
Robert S. Phillips (Clerk)	1977	Conservation Commission	
Dog Officer		Anthony Manzola (Chairman)	1978
Angelo Rosati	1976	James Johnson	1976
(Resigned 5/12/75)		Kenneth Mooradian	1976
Benjamin F. Phillips (Appoint- ed to fill vacancy 6/20/75)	1976	Robert A. Rocks	1977
		(Resigned 1/8/75)	
Lock-Up Keeper		Clayton Wright (Appointed to fill vacancy 5/12/75)	1977
Robert B. Taylor, Jr.	1976	Richard Schmitt	1977
Supt. Insect Pest Control		(Resigned 1/30/75)	
W. Chester Sanborn	1976		

Conservation Commission (cont.)		Public Weighers (cont.)	
Donald Haynes (Appointed to fill vacancy 7/7/75)	1977	Primo Zachilli	1976
David Guglielmi	1978	M. Russell Dennett	1976
Barry Stewart	1978	Evangeline Constantino	1976
		Shirley Dennett	1976
Director of Civil Defense		Nicholas Bocaccino	1976
C. Victor Pepper	1976	Domenic Celozzi	1976
Town Counsel		Joseph Lemelin	1976
Atty. Robert S. Phillips	1976	Robert Morin	1976
Burial Agent of Deceased Veterans		Nicholas DeSalvia	1976
Frederick L. Lescoe	1976	Lionel Lavergne	1976
Community Service Board Member		Antonio Alves	1976
C. Victor Pepper	1976	Paul Hayes	1976
Deputy Tax Collector		Historical Commission	
Frederic J. Kelly	1976	Howard Weaver (Chairman)	1976
		Elizabeth Rose	1976
Hospital Planning Task Force		Ann Huff	1977
William F. O'Reilly	1976	Louise Brown	1977
Diane S. Wood	1976	(Resigned 2/25/75)	
Insurance Advisory Committee (Elected by Town Employees)		Lucille Damon (Appointed to fill vacancy 7/7/75)	1977
Frances Durgin	1976	Mary Scahill	1977
Nancy Norling	1976	Leola Stearns	1978
Roger Morell	1977	Measurers of Lumber	
Herbert Durgin	1978	James H. McGrath	1976
John Johnson	1978	Wilfred G. Nichols	1976
208 Citizens Advisory Planning Committee		Industrial Development Commission	
Robert Barrows		Dennis Sciole (Chairman)	1976
William Krauss		David Calarese	1977
Anthony Manzola		(Resigned 10/5/75)	
Benjamin Phillips		Catherine Bavosi	1978
Bernard Stock		John T. Howes	1979
		W. Gregory Burrill	1980
Public Weighers		Zoning Inspector	
Joseph Rosenfeld	1976	Anthony Manzola	1976
Harry Rosenfeld	1976	Surplus Property Officer	
Joseph DiAntonio	1976	Nicholas J. Pannichelli	1976
Jordan Carp	1976	Town Coordinator for Individual Heating Problems	
Nathan Ferman	1976	Bernard J. Stock	1976
Louis Gentile	1976	Industrial Development Finance Authority	
Benjamin Green	1976	Thaddeus R. Jackson	1976
David Hayward	1976	Atty. David T. Pagnini	1977
Francis Hayward	1976		
Irving Janock	1976		
Wilfred Tessier	1976		

Industrial Development		Town Vehicle Storage	
Finance Authority (cont.)		Building Committee (cont.)	
Anthony D. Perry	1978	Victor Lamothe	
Arthur C. Young	1979	W. Chester Sanborn	
(Vacancy)			
Committee to Appraise Effectiveness and Performance of Office Machine		Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee (Appointed by Moderator)	
Richard Bean	1976	William C. Krauss (Chairman)	
Rudy J. Ferrucci	1976	Diane M. Markarian	
Arthur C. Young	1976	Peter S. Ellis	
Building Commissioner		Department of Public Works	
Clayton E. Wright, Jr.	1976	Study Committee	
Building Inspectors		Edouard J. Rouleau, Jr. (Chairman)	
Robert J. Brown	1976	Raymond Andreotti	
Herbert S. Durgin	1976	Edward J. Malloy	
Steven Hackenson	1976	Duino P. Ruscitti	
Bicentennial Commission		Bernard J. Stock	
Geraldine Fafard (Chairperson)	1976	Reserve Police Officers	
Eleanor Allen	1976	John Bacon III	
Robert E. Barrows	1976	Victor G. Best	
Ann Brown (Resigned 5/28/75)	1976	George Boyd	
Virginia R. Cyr	1976	Elmer Bradley	
William Gannett	1976	Roger Burns	
Hilda Hammond	1976	Robert Carchio	
Dorothy Harlow	1976	Robert Cardasso	
Ann Huff (Resigned 2/25/75)	1976	Robert Cosetta	
Francis J. Larkin	1976	Joseph Drugan	
Pearl Lawson	1976	William Earl	
Nicholas Pannichelli	1976	David Guglielmi	
Winifred Quance	1976	Alfred Hixon	
Elizabeth Rose	1976	Augustine Homand	
Mary Scahill	1976	Jay Johnson	
Leola Stearns	1976	John Kozak	
Willard Taft	1976	William Krauss	
Olga Till	1976	Leo Lovely	
Howard Weaver	1976	Perry MacNevin	
Douglas Woodburn	1976	Anthony Manzola	
Robert Wood, Jr.	1976	Gary Moran	
Town Vehicle Storage Building Committee (Appointed by Moderator)		Benjamin Phillips, Jr.	
Nicholas J. Pannichelli (Chairman)		Albert Rizzi	
George K. Allen		William Sainio	
Edward J. Malloy		Alfred Sprague	
Donald R. Fafard		Joseph Sullivan	
		Anthony Tumolo	
		Special Officer	
		Clayton Wright	

**Special Police Officers
(c. 282, 1898)**

William Burrill
Alfred DeLuca
Alfonse Fruit
Arnold Hoel
Larry Larossi
James Mohan
Robert Pierre
Emilio Rota
Hugh Smith
Harrison Cutter
Lucien Dubois
Garth Gaetz
James Holt, Jr.
Augustino Lucciarini
Arnold Neally, Jr.
George Post, Jr.
Harland Seymour

Summer Internship Appointments

Robert Burke
Deborah Norling
Jacqueline Walker

**Worcester County Advisory
Board Delegate**

Richard T. Moore

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY BOARD OF HEALTH

Sanitation Officer

Benjamin F. Phillips

Milk Inspector

William Krauss

Plumbing and Gas Inspector

Robert Rossetti

Nursing Service

1976 Milford Area Visiting Nurses
Association

1976 **Agent to Board of Health**

George Mongiat 1976

1976 **Public Health Officer**

A. W. Farrell, M.D. 1976

HOPEDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Appointed by the School Committee

SUPERINTENDENT
Mr. Donald A. Hayes

JUNIOR—SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Albert C. Sayles
Mr. Robert F. Pagnini

Principal
Assistant Principal

Mrs. Margaret Allen
Mr. Bruce Barclay
Mrs. L. Ann Brown
Mrs. Concetta Brucato
Mr. Joseph Burke
Mr. Paul Caissie
Mrs. Donna Eagan
Mrs. Lucille Ela
Mrs. Margaret Fairbanks
Mrs. Barbara Feeney
Mr. Louis Fraga
Miss Shirley Greene
Mr. Francis Hanam
Mr. Jack Haringa
Mrs. Virginia Hatch
Mrs. Pauly Howard
Mrs. G. Ruth Howard
Mr. James Kearns
Mr. Henry Kelley

Mr. E. Perry King
Mrs. Barbara Kingsley
Mr. Donald Klocek
Mr. Bernard Kushlan
Miss Doris LaPointe
Mrs. Jean Lewis
Mr. Daniel Nicholson
Mrs. Mary Perry
Mr. William Rich
Mr. Douglas Schmidt
Mr. Andrew Speed
Mr. Joseph Spinazola, Jr.
Mrs. Regina Stare
Mrs. Leola Stearns
Mrs. Adele Stock
Mr. Robert Tarnauskus
Mrs. Jacqueline Tower
Mr. Robert Wood
Mr. H. Robert Zinck

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Mr. Roger J. Morell

Principal

PARK STREET SCHOOL

Mrs. Franciline Burch
Mrs. Frances Rae

Mrs. Margaret Stanas
Mrs. Hazel Vignone

MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Mrs. Grace Chapman
Mrs. Janice Fielder
Mrs. Dorothy Gately
Mrs. Ann Greene
Mrs. Linda Gross
Mrs. Jacquelyn Kleya

Mrs. Alberta Lachina
Mrs. Mary Lee Speroni
Mrs. Marguerite Stanas
Mrs. Kathleen Usher
Mrs. Janet Wagman
Miss C. Dorothy Wheatley

DUTCHER STREET SCHOOL

Mrs. Kathryn Behrens
Mrs. Frances Durgin
Miss Mary Jokinen

Mrs. Ruth O'Connor
Mr. Lee Packard
Miss Joyce Ripley

SPECIAL SUBJECT TEACHERS

Mr. Joseph Burke
Mrs. Carolyn Cialdea
Mrs. Alice Creighton
Mrs. Jacqueline Desjardins
Miss Jacqueline Gadoury
Mrs. Elmira Giacomuzzi
Miss Deborah Irvine
Mr. Robert Shyllberg
Mrs. Carol Whyte

Instrumental Music
Physical Education
Reading Supervisor
Speech Therapist
French
Remedial Reading
Music
Guidance Counselor
Art

LUNCHROOM PERSONNEL

Mrs. Marion Prentis Manager

Mrs. Sadie Barrows
Mrs. Edith Berry
Mrs. Janice Cowen
Mrs. Frances Gattozzi
Mrs. Pierrette Griggs
Mrs. Jean Guglielmi

Mrs. Hilda Hammond
Mrs. Gladys Johnson
Mrs. Anita Leoncini
Mrs. Pia McDonough
Mrs. Amy Norman

TEACHER AIDES

Mrs. Betty Bean
Mrs. Mary Bresciani
Mrs. Anita D'Alio
Mrs. Anna Figuerido
Mrs. Patricia Guertin
Mrs. Sandra Kimball

Mrs. Gloria Lewis
Mrs. Joan Pannichelli
Mrs. Carol Rowe
Mrs. Elizabeth Tattersall
Mrs. Ann Valerio

CUSTODIANS

Mr. Paul Barry (part-time)
Mr. Andrew Bernardi (part-time)
Mr. Francis Coffey
Mr. Domenic Comastra

Mr. John Cowen
Mr. Anthony Imbruno
Mr. Thorald Wells

SECRETARIES

Mrs. June S. Carlson
Mrs. Charlotte Dec
Mrs. Esther DeVita

Miss Melissa M. Gould
Mrs. Norma Villani

SCHOOL NURSE
Mrs. Janet Tosches, R.N.

SCHOOL PHYSICIANS

John R. Cicchetti, M.D.
Felix Perriello, M.D.

John Cocchiarella, M.D.

**REPORT OF THE
HOPEDALE
TOWN FINANCE COMMITTEE
TO THE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

MAY 5, 1975



TO THE CITIZENS OF HOPEDALE:

In accordance with its duty, as provided in the town by-laws, the Finance Committee has given careful consideration to all Articles in the Town Warrant involving the expenditure of money and presents herewith its recommendations. Your committee has met with all departments and various town officials in arriving at its determinations.

The only exception to the above is in reference to Article #1 which asks the town's people to vote on a tax reform resolution. The town of Hopedale's by-laws direct the Finance Committee to make recommendations on Articles pertaining only to money. However, in this instance, we took the liberty to unanimously endorse the tax reform resolution.

You will notice that this report is different as compared to last year's report in that we did not attempt to present to you a condensed summary of the tax determination for fiscal year 1976. We felt that in the absence of reliable estimates of monies received such as Cherry Sheet figures, Overlay Surplus, Estimated Receipts, etc., it would be an uneducated guess to do so. Your Finance Committee will, however, with the assistance of the Assessors, make an estimate of the fiscal year 1976 tax rate on the Town Meeting floor if the information becomes available.

REVENUE SHARING

The Town of Hopedale's entitlement for fiscal year 1976 is \$93,217 as compared to last year's entitlement of \$91,313.

It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee, after a discussion with the Selectmen, that \$92,550 be transferred to the Police Budget. (Article #23).

ARTICLES

Article #3 is the principal appropriations, covering the operating expenses of the town and other recurring items such as Bond retirement and interest. While all these items will be brought before the Town Meeting under one article, any one of them may be discussed or acted upon separately.

FISCAL YEAR 1975 TRANSFERS

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation		\$15,000
Transfers to		
Town Hall Account	\$ 3,500	
Bicentennial Commission	1,000	
Pension Fund	2,052	
Building Commissioner	200	
Total Transfers:		\$ 6,752
Unused Balance (as of April 25, 1975)		\$ 8,248

FREE CASH

Certified (as of July 1, 1974)		\$75,044
Transfers to		
Park Department	\$18,500	
Conservation Commission	5,000	
Selectmen (Water Survey)	7,000	
Total Transfers:		\$30,500
Unused Balance (as of April 25, 1975)		\$44,544

EXPRESSIONS USED AT TOWN MEETINGS

CHERRY SHEET

A large sheet which was once cherry colored. Prepared by the State Tax Commission and delivered to each municipality showing all state and county charges and reimbursements to the town.

FREE CASH (AVAILABLE FUNDS)

The amount of surplus revenue over and above uncollected taxes of prior years and as certified by the State Director of Accounts.

RESERVE FUND

A fund established at the Annual Town Meeting by voters not to exceed 5% of the then current fiscal year for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures and controlled exclusively by the Finance Committee. It can be established by:

- 1. An appropriation.
- 2. Transfer from Overlay Surplus.

OVERLAY SURPLUS

Accumulation of unused overlay funds not required for abatements.

OVERLAY

Amount of money raised by the Assessors over and above appropriations and charges to create a fund for abatements and avoiding fractions.

CHAPTER 765 – ACTS ’72

Provides funding for the normal annual State Aid Highway allocations to all municipalities. Can not be used for routine maintenance. Must be used for construction, reconstruction or improvement type projects.

- 1. Funds Available for Hopedale:
 - a. \$10,163 each fiscal year ’75, ’76, ’77.

CHAPTER 825 – SECTION 1, ACTS ’74

Provides funding to communities outside the MBTA District to be used for highway-related activities and expended before June 30, 1977. Hopedale’s share of \$35,372 will be distributed by check.

- 1. One-half, \$17,686 on or before November 30, 1974
- 2. One-half, \$17,686 on or before November 30, 1975

ARTICLE #1
TAX REFORM RESOLUTION

Finance Committee endorses the
Resolution unanimously

	Approp. F.Y. ’75	Request F.Y. ’76	Fin.Recom. F.Y. ’76
ARTICLE #2			
Salaries, elected officials	\$12,125	\$12,125	\$12,125

ARTICLE #3
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1. General Office	\$54,224	\$57,992	\$52,307
2. Town Accountant	1,250	1,250	1,250
3. Town Counsel	1,500	1,500	1,500
4. Legal Fees—Assoc.—Travel	1,000	675	675
5. Planning Board	600	100	100
6. Town Hall Expense	6,700	6,700	6,700
7. Surplus Property Officer	1,500	1,300	In Gen. Off.

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY

8. Police Department	776	0	0
Note: Add’l. \$91,313 from Rev. Sharing			
Article #2, Special Town Meeting ’75			
Note: \$92,550 transferred from Rev. Sharing			
Article #25 ’76			

	Approp. F.Y. '75	Request F.Y. '76	Fin.Recom. F.Y. '76
9. Police Cruiser — \$3,500	InGen.Bud.	InGen.Bud.	InGen.Bud.
10. Civil Defense	1,070	820	620
11. Tree Warden	2,060	3,040	2,540
12. Fire Dept. (Gen.)	136,905	140,590	140,590
13. Paint Exterior-Station	2,000	0	0
14. Compressor-Self Breathing Tanks (1/5 Total Cost)	500	0	0
HEALTH & SANITATION			
15. Board of Health	8,225	6,410	6,210
16. Collection of Garbage	25,450	25,000	25,000
17. Sewer	875	1,105	905
HIGHWAY			
18. General Expense	103,700	169,795	125,691
19. Pick-Up Truck — 4-Wheel Drive	InGen.Bud.	2,000	2,000
Note: Add'l. \$44,368 from Chap. 1140, Art. #1			
Spec. Town Meeting '75 Four Tires — Front End Loader '76			
Note: Add'l. Est. \$13,000 from Chap. 825, Art. #22 '76			
STREET LIGHTING			
20. Street Lighting	17,000	21,100	21,100
21. Street Lighting Improvement	1,000	0	0
COUNCIL ON AGING			
22. Council on Aging	9,890	11,379	10,391
HISTORICAL COMMISSION			
23. Historical Commission	400	500	350
VETERANS' BENEFITS			
24. Veterans' Benefits	16,000	20,600	20,600
SCHOOLS			
25. School Dept. — Gen.	1,301,700	1,451,922	1,432,898
LIBRARIES			
26. Library — General	25,300	28,560	26,060
RECREATION			
27. Park Dept.	22,175	21,940	21,484
28. Conservation	450	1,100	925

	Approp. F.Y. '75	Request F.Y. '76	Fin. Recom. F.Y. '76
UNCLASSIFIED			
29. Pensions	16,600	19,250	19,250
30. Insurance	27,066	25,000	25,000
31. Town Cemetery	475	0	0
32. Memorial Day	500	450	450
33. Group Insurance	25,000	26,000	26,000
34. Reserve — Self Insurance	2,000	800	800
UTILITIES			
35. Water Dept.	71,193	73,955	72,455
MATURING DEBT & INTEREST			
36. Maturing School Bonds	70,000	55,000	55,000
37. Maturing Fire Truck	10,000	10,000	10,000
38. Maturing Mun. Gar. Loan		4,000	4,000
39. Interest — Temp. Loans	6,000	4,000	4,000
40. Interest — School Bonds	14,189	12,189	12,189
41. Interest — Fire Truck	1,200	900	900
42. Interest — Municipal Gar.		1,980	1,980
TOTALS	\$1,998,598	\$2,219,727	\$2,144,045

SPECIAL ARTICLES

	Fiscal '76 Request	Fiscal '76 Fin. Recom.
ARTICLE #5		
Disposition of Dog Tax		
Transfer to Library	\$ 594.26	\$ 594.26 *
ARTICLE #7		
Insect Pest Control	500	500
ARTICLE #8		
Dutch Elm Disease	2,021	2,021
ARTICLE #9		
Reserve Fund	15,000	15,000
ARTICLE #10		
Blackstone Valley Reg. Sch. Dist.	39,569	39,569

* Not included in totals

	Fiscal '76 Request	Fiscal '76 Fin. Recom.
ARTICLE #11		
Central Mass. Reg. Plan	536	536
ARTICLE #12		
Sale of Lots Transfer to Town Cemetery		225 *
ARTICLE #13		
Bicentennial Commission	3,500	3,500
ARTICLE #18		
Weed Control	5,000	5,000
Transfer Revenue Sharing		
ARTICLE #20		
Acceptance of Monies — Chapter 765	10,163	10,163
ARTICLE #21		
Matching Funds—Commonwealth and/or County	3,625	3,625
ARTICLE #22		
Transfer Funds — Chapter 825, Sec. 1, Acts '74 — Amount unknown at time of Printing	Est. 13,000	Est. 13,000
ARTICLE #23		
Purchase of Chipper	6,500	0
Not recommended at this time. Finance Committee will explain on Town Meeting Floor		
ARTICLE #24		
Gasoline Storage Tanks	2,500	2,500
Transfer — Revenue Sharing		
ARTICLE #25		
Disposition of Revenue Sharing Police Department	92,550	92,550

* Not included in totals

	Fiscal '76 Request	Fiscal '76 Fin. Recom.
ARTICLE #26		
Emergency Medical Supplies	500	502
Do not recommend. Finance Committee will explain on Town Meeting Floor		
GRAND TOTAL	\$2,417,691	\$2,335,009
ARTICLE #27		
Transfers from:		
1. Free Cash	\$ 44,544	\$ 44,544
2. Isabella Chase Fund	5,000	5,000
3. Prior Year Tax Collections	16,901	16,901
TOTAL	\$ 66,445	\$ 66,445
Other Transfers:		
1. Overlay Surplus—Res. Fund Art. 9	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000
2. Revenue Sharing—Weed—Art. 18	5,000	5,000
3. Chapter 765 — Art. 20	10,163	10,163
4. Chap. 825—Sec. 1—Acts '74—Hwy	Est.13,000	Est.13,000
5. Rev. Sharing—Gas Tank—Art. 24	2,500	2,500
6. Rev. Sharing — Police	92,550	92,550
GRAND TOTAL—TRANSFERS	\$207,658	\$207,658
NET TOTAL APPROP.	\$2,210,033	\$2,127,853

In concluding this report the Committee wishes to remind you that all monies appropriated above the Committee's recommendations will, in all probability, increase the tax rate.

The Committee wishes to thank all Town Officials and Department Heads, along with the many others, who worked so hard in the preparation, discussion and presentation of the budgets and articles.

For many weeks your Committee has worked long and hard in your interest. All that we ask in return is that you consider each recommendation carefully against each request and vote what you believe is the best for you and your town.

Respectfully submitted,

AMERICO R. CALARESE

JAMES A. CHANDLER, Jr.

RUDOLPH J. FERRUCI

ERIK H. LUCE

BRUCE S. LUTZ

JEANETTE P. MAHER

ANITA J. DRISKO, Clerk

RAYMOND E. ANDREOTTI

Vice Chairman

VICTOR G. LAMOTHE, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The First National Bank of Boston, reporting in their 1975-76 Economic Outlook for New England, stated recently: "Over the past two years, state and local government spending and transfer payments grew significantly faster than revenue, turning the substantial surpluses of 1972 and 1973 into deficits beginning in late 1974. The rapid growth in new spending programs without viable internal management and control procedures worsened the revenue-expenditure imbalance in a number of states. Furthermore, Federal Government transfers to local governments were also restrained. Looking ahead, state and local governments will show surpluses again in 1976, as economic recovery revives tax collections, but they will have to exert more farsighted control over spending to avoid a return to budget crises in future cyclical downturns."

This recommendation, coupled with potential decreases in 1977 of Federal Revenue Sharing and/or state local aid, argues strongly for improved management capacity on the part of town government. To prepare for these types of potential problems as well as to take full advantage of available Federal funds, your Selectmen have this year embarked on a program of strengthening local administration.

Your Board of Selectmen held 26 regular meetings, 3 special meetings, 4 executive sessions, and several administrative sessions during 1975. In the past year, the Board processed and issued 58 zoning permits, including 16 referred to the Zoning Board of Appeals for the requisite hearing. The Board renewed two licenses for package stores and one club license, plus 2 one-day beer and wine licenses for a total of \$1,810.00. The amount of \$299.25 was remitted to the Selectmen by the Inspector of Wires, Albert J. Shimkus, as income from 33 wire inspections in accordance with the schedule of fees. Under the provisions of Chapter 140, Sec. 157, M.G.L. one hearing was held on a dog complaint and appropriate action taken.

This year the Board's role in the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association was most gratifying. Selectman Richard T. Moore, who last year served as First Vice President of the Association and Chairman of the Association's Legislative Committee, was elected President. The Association has expanded its role in an effort to increase state aid and to strengthen local home rule. During the year, Mr. Moore was appointed by Governor Dukakis to the Governor's Local Government Advisory Committee. The committee includes seventeen mayors, selectmen, and managers from throughout the state to advise the Governor on various matters affecting local government. He was also appointed to the Special Committee on Intergovernmental Assistance, and a member of the National Small Cities Advisory Council. This Board is extremely proud to have one of its members serving in these vital positions.

The following is a list of the major accomplishments and activities of the Board of Selectmen during the year 1975:

A grant of \$122,274 was applied for and received from the Economic Development Administration under Title X for renovation of several town buildings.

Approval was granted for the Town's application for eligibility for H.U.D. Federal Flood Insurance.

The Rockwell Sewage Treatment Plant was accepted by the town.

The Town received ownership of the "Little Red Shop" museum from Rockwell International.

A bequest of a house on Adin Street was received and accepted from the late Madame Margaret Draper Boncompagni.

Utilizing CETA workers, the interior of the Town Hall was renovated providing improved facilities and additional meeting space.

Utilizing CETA help the general office was opened on Saturday mornings for the added convenience of residents.

Under a work-study fund grant from the Massachusetts Internship Office, three local college students were employed on a variety of projects as summer interns.

After an extensive search process, a new Police Chief was appointed.

The administration of the Water Department was reorganized.

A "Town Father's Forum" was initiated to bring elected and appointed officials together for improved communication and municipal administration.

With funds from the Federal Intergovernmental Personnel Act, the Mass. League of Cities and Towns conducted a Job Classification Study of Town employees.

A Long Range Planning Conference was initiated to begin planning for the future of Hopedale and its government, which received the Annual Innovation Award from the League of Cities and Towns.

Pre-application for H.U.D. Community Development Block Grant funds of approximately \$85,500 was submitted.

An Affirmative Action plan to provide equal opportunity for all dealing with town government was approved.

A talent Bank to increase citizen involvement on municipal boards and committees was implemented.

A Selectmen's Policy Handbook was compiled and published to aid residents and municipal officials in dealing with town government.

A new comprehensive Zoning/Building Permit Application form was approved.

A policy for regulation of yard sales was approved and implemented.

A policy on delinquent Water Accounts was implemented which has improved the collection process and a review of the water rate structure was commenced.

The CETA program, surplus property program, and summer internship program continue to be a major source of needed personnel and equipment at little or no cost to the Town. Major renovations to the interior of the Town Hall were completed through the combined efforts of the Board and CETA personnel. This summer, the Board utilized the services of three college students provided through the Massachusetts State Internship Office. Miss Debra Norling served as assistant to the Town Archivist and Bicentennial Committee, as well as researching the history of the "Little Red Shop." Mrs. Jacqueline Walker and Mr. Robert Burke served under the direction of the Administrative Assistant on various research projects in all areas of town government. We commend all three students on their productive and successful internship.

The Town's First Annual Long Range Planning Conference was recognized by the receipt of the Kenneth E. Pickard Memorial Innovative Award presented by the Massachusetts League of Cities and Towns. This award recognizes a municipality which has developed a unique and innovative program increasing local government effectiveness. The League also recognized our Administrative Assistant, Bernard J. Stock, by awarding him honorable mention as a 1975 Outstanding Municipal Employee of the Year. This year Mr. Stock was appointed by Governor Dukakis to serve on the Balance of State, Prime Sponsor Planning Council. The Massachusetts Selectmen's Association awarded Angelo Rosati, Malquinn Drive, third prize in their Municipal Photography Contest. Mr. Rosati's winning photograph will be used on the cover of this year's Annual Town Report.

The Board of Selectmen wish to thank all of the Town departments and officers for the cooperation they have given the Board in 1975. We especially want to express our gratitude to all residents of Hopedale for their continued support and assistance. We welcome suggestions and comments from our fellow residents regarding the administration of the community in an effort to continue to improve our service to the townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. HAYES, Chairman
ROBERT M. PHILLIPS
RICHARD T. MOORE

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

During the past year, the Hopedale Planning Board reviewed and endorsed seven (7) plans submitted under the Sub-Division Control Law not requiring Planning Board approval.

The Board also revised and updated the "Rules and Regulations of the Planning Board."

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. CONDON, Chairman
J. W. RONAN, Clerk
J. R. CICCETTI
R. M. BARROWS
G. R. BURRILL

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

The office of the Town Clerk, with the assistance of clerical help provided by the CETA program has been able to render full time service to the people of Hopedale. In addition to being the recording agent for all vital statistics, keeper of Town records and issuer of various licenses, permits and copies of Town records, the Town Clerk's office is the first place people call seeking information about all other facets of town government. An attempt is made in every instance to supply the required information or to refer the person to the proper Town Department.

The duties of the Town Clerk are many and varied ranging from responsibility for all elections and Town Meetings to filing Sub-Division Plans, Financing statements and Zoning decisions. The latest duty to be imposed upon Town Clerks by the legislature is the responsibility for Chapter 55 of the General Laws dealing with campaign financing on the local level. A very complicated and involved law carrying severe criminal penalties for those who violate it; including loss of voting rights.

This year we took the state census and with aid of our excellent census workers were among the first in the state to forward our results to the Secretary of State on May 21. Our count was certified as correct after their audit.

My records indicate that we are still in a negative growth rate with deaths exceeding births. I have included the figures of 1965 as a comparison to 1975 for those of you who may be interested in a ten year comparison.

	<u>1965</u>	<u>1975</u>
Population	4,298	3,965(4,014)State Census
Registered voters	2,460	2,312
School Population	1,076	945
Births	57	33
Marriages	35	39
Deaths	73	58
Tax Rate	\$34.00	\$63.00
Valuation	\$21,443,985.00	\$24,583,500.00

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT S. PHILLIPS
Town Clerk

REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

I submit my report to you as your appointed Town Counsel. There is one lawsuit pending against the Zoning Board of Appeals in the Worcester Superior Court which was entered this month. A prior Workman's Compensation matter which was dismissed by the Industrial Accident Board has been revived by new Counsel and is now before the Board again.

This year saw the conclusion of prolonged negotiations with Rockwell International on the transfer of their sewer system to the Town. On October 30, 1975 I recorded the deed and agreements for operation and maintenance of the plant with the Registry of Deeds in Worcester. Thus ended three years of negotiations and meetings on which might be called Phase I. Phase II will involve the preparation of documents for the Federal and State Grants for construction of the new plant. Our recorded agreements provide that Rockwell will continue to pay all operating expenses of the present plant until the new one comes on line. At that time a prior cost agreement will be in force. It also provides that if for any reason we do not receive our Federal and State Grants and Rockwell's contribution, the ownership of the plant will revert back to Rockwell International.

I also concluded the matter of the transfer of the Adin Street property, the gift of William Franklin Draper, to the Town of Hopedale. This deed was also recorded in the Registry in Worcester.

With the cooperation of Town Counsel Patrick Doherty of Milford, full payment of \$473.75 was received from Milford for damage done to the doors at the Hopedale Fire Station by Milford Fire Department equipment.

In addition to the foregoing I have rendered various opinions to the Selectmen and other Town Boards upon request, both formal and informal, and prepared various documents as requested.

I anticipate that with the disclosure that Rockwell International is preparing to sell its real estate consisting of approximately 52% of the Town Land Area (2.83 sq. miles out of 5.34 sq. miles) that this office will become very much involved with the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, and all others having to do with the sub-division of land and construction of buildings. It is my recommendation to the Town that the budgets of the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, and legal department be substantially increased in the next fiscal year to provide them with the expert assistance and information they will need to process applications coming before them in the next few years. The Town must take proper steps to insure its survival as a community in the face of what can only be termed a potential disaster if allowed to go unchecked.

I thank all members of the various Town Departments for the cooperation they have extended to me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT S. PHILLIPS
Town Counsel

TOWN WARRANT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, January 21, 1975

Worcester, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Hopedale, in said County,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale, qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall Auditorium on Tuesday at 7:30 P.M., the twenty-first day of January, 1975, then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section III of the Agreement between the Towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Uxbridge, and Upton, with respect to the establishment of a Regional Vocational High School District, entitled Type of Regional School District, by adding the words “and girls” after the word “boys”, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept a bequest under Paragraph Third of the will of Margaret Preston Boncompagni (also known as Margaret Draper Boncompagni) of the City of Washington, District of Columbia, of the devise of the remainder interest of certain real property situated on Adin Street in Hopedale, subject to a certain life estate and certain other terms and conditions together with the sum of \$1,000 to raze the buildings thereon in accordance with the terms of said bequest, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept from William Franklin Draper of New York, New York, a gift of a remainder interest in certain real property situated on Adin Street in Hopedale, subject to a certain life estate and other terms and conditions as specified in said deed of gift, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the hands of the Treasurer, a sum of money for the maintenance of streets under Chapter 825, Section 1 of the Acts of 1974, to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to maintenance, reconstruction and repair of public highways and bridges and of the enforcement of traffic, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in five or more places in said Town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Given under our hands at Hopedale this 7th day of January, 1975.

RICHARD T. MOORE, Chairman
JOHN A. HAYES
ROBERT M. PHILLIPS
Selectmen of Hopedale

ATTEST:

W. Chester Sanborn
Constable of Hopedale

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

January 21, 1975

A Special Town Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. in Town Hall Auditorium by Moderator Edwin A. Howard with 51 registered voters present.

Town Clerk Robert S. Phillips read the warrant and on a motion by Richard T. Moore, seconded by John D. Gannett, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the warrant.

The return of the warrant was read by Town Clerk Phillips stating that the warrant had been posted on January 9th, 1975 at the Town Hall, Main Entrance to Draper Division, Rockwell International; Post Office, Hopedale; Community House and Mobil Station in South Hopedale. The return was signed by W. Chester Sanborn, Constable.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section III of the Agreement between the Towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Uxbridge and Upton, with respect to the establishment of a Regional Vocational High School District, entitled Type of Regional School District, by adding the words, "and girls" after the word "boys", or take any action in relation thereto.

On a motion by Selectman Robert M. Phillips, seconded by Victor Lamothe, it was unanimously

Voted that the Town amend Section III of the agreement between the Towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Uxbridge and Upton, with respect to the establishment of a Regional Vocational High School District, entitled Type of Regional School District, by adding the words "and girls" after the word "boys."

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept a bequest under Paragraph Third of the will of Margaret Preston Boncompagni (also known as Margaret Draper Boncompagni) of the City of Washington, District of Columbia, of the devise of the remainder interest of certain real property situated on Adin Street in Hopedale, subject to a certain life estate and certain other terms and conditions together with the sum of \$1,000 to raze the buildings thereon in accordance with the terms of said bequest, or take any action in relation thereto.

On a motion made by Selectman Chairman Richard T. Moore, seconded by Ruth Howard, it was unanimously

Voted that the Town reject a bequest under Paragraph Third of the will of Margaret Preston Boncompagni (also known as Margaret Draper Boncompagni) of the City of Washington, District of Columbia, of the devise of the remainder interest of certain real property situated on Adin Street in Hopedale, subject to a certain life estate and certain other terms and conditions together with the sum of \$1,000 to raze the buildings thereon in accordance with the terms of said bequest.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept from William Franklin Draper of New York, New York, a gift of a remainder interest in certain real property situated on Adin Street in Hopedale, subject to a certain life estate and other terms and conditions as specified in said deed of gift, or take any action in relation thereto.

On a motion made by Selectman John Hayes, seconded by William B. Gannett it was unanimously

Voted that the Town accept from William Franklin Draper of New York, New York, a gift of a remainder interest in certain real property situated on Adin Street in Hopedale, subject to a certain life estate and other terms and conditions as specified in said deed of gift.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the hands of the Treasurer, a sum of money for the maintenance of streets under Chapter 825, Section 1 of the Acts of 1974, to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to maintenance, reconstruction and repair of public highways and bridges and of the enforcement of traffic, or take any action in relation thereto.

On a motion made by Road Commissioner Nicholas J. Pannichelli, seconded by Selectman Richard Moore it was unanimously

Voted that the Town vote to transfer from available funds in the hands of the Treasurer, the sum of \$17,686.00 for the maintenance of streets under Chapter 825, Section 1 of the Acts of 1974, to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to maintenance, reconstruction and repair of public highways and bridges and of the enforcement of traffic.

Note: Finance Committee gave no recommendation on Article 1; a negative recommendation to Article 2; and a favorable recommendation to Articles 3 and 4.

On a motion by Selectman Moore, seconded by William B. Gannett it was
unanimously

Voted to dissolve the warrant at 7:43 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

VIRGINIA R. CYR
Recording Secretary

March 3rd, 1975

Pursuant to Warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, duly qualified by law to vote in the elections and in Town affairs, met at the Hopedale Community House on March 3rd, 1975, and punctually at eight o'clock in the forenoon, were called to order by the Warden who requested the Town Clerk to read the Warrant, after which the Polls were declared open.

The cards of instructions and specimen ballots were posted previously, the ballot clerks and deputy ballot clerks were sworn to the faithful performance of their duty, the official ballots delivered by the presiding officer to the ballot clerks who receipted therefor.

The ballot box registered at zero and was shown to be empty. The same was locked and the keys delivered to the presiding officer.

Voting then proceeded.

At eight o'clock P.M. the Polls were declared closed. Ballots cast for the following officers, and those indicated by an asterisk (*) were declared elected. At the March 3rd, 1975 election there were 957 votes cast.

SELECTMAN, Three Years

*Richard T. Moore	639
Benjamin F. Phillips	1
Robert S. Phillips	3
Lorraine A. Sutton	6
Kevin P. Alger	1

TREASURER, Three Years

*Anthony D. Perry	704
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TAX COLLECTOR, Three Years

*A. Harold Soderberg	713
Judith R. Brown	1
Frank Villani	1

ASSESSOR, Three Years

*Charles R. Cox	687
James D. DeLorey	1

BOARD OF HEALTH, Three Years

*William C. Krauss	686
C. Joanne Francis	1

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Three Years	
*William D. Fitzgerald	512
Diane Markarian	430
LIBRARY TRUSTEE, Three Years	
*Howard L. Smith	681
LIBRARY TRUSTEE, Two Years	
*Barbara Allen	692
BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Three Years	
*Rober V. Burns	674
ROAD COMMISSIONER, Three Years	
*Benjamin F. Phillips	603
Edward Ward	1
SEWER COMMISSIONER, Three Years	
*Howard E. Whitney	660
PARK COMMISSIONER, Three Years	
*Charles E. Hensel, Jr.	690
PLANNING BOARD, Five Years	
*John R. Cicchetti	661
Walter Swift	1
PLANNING BOARD, One Year	
*Robert E. Barrows	638
Nicholas J. Rostanzo	292
QUESTION	
Shall licenses be granted in this town for the operation, holding or conducting a game commonly called Beano?	
*Yes	595
No	260

The vote was tabulated and the results announced at 9:55 p.m. by Town Clerk Attorney Robert S. Phillips.

TOWN WARRANT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

ANNUAL MEETING

May 5, 1975

Worcester, ss.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Hopedale, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Dennett Auditorium on Monday at 7:30 o'clock P.M. the fifth day of May, A.D., 1975, then and there to act upon the following articles namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon a tax reform resolution, the report of the Selectmen, and any other officers, departments and committees of said Town. (Selectmen)

ARTICLE 2. To see what salary and compensation the Town will allow each elected officer for his services. (Selectmen)

ARTICLE 3. To raise and appropriate from any surplus or available funds in the Treasury, such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. (Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial year beginning July 1, 1975 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17. (Treasurer)

ARTICLE 5. To see what disposition the Town will make of money refunded from the County on account of the Dog Tax. (Library Trustees)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the Town. (Selectmen)

ARTICLE 7. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Insect Pest Control. (Superintendent of Insect Pest Control)

ARTICLE 8. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the suppression of Dutch Elm Disease. (Superintendent of Insect Pest Control)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Overlay Reserve, a sum or sums of money for a Reserve Fund. (Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, being the Town's proportionate share of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on its bonds, together with expenses of school operation, or take any action in relation thereto. (Member, Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District Committee)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay its share of the costs and expenses of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission District, or take any action in relation thereto. (Planning Board)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the sale of lots to the Town Cemetery Account. (Selectmen)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Bicentennial Commission for the purpose of celebrating the Bicentennial Anniversary of the United States of America or take any action in relation thereto. (Bicentennial Commission)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift from Rockwell International the building, with the contents thereof, known as the "Little Red Shop," presently located at the corner of Hopedale and Freedom Streets in the Town of Hopedale. Said building and contents to be under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any action in relation thereto. (Historical Commission)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease a certain parcel of land located at the corner of Freedom and Hopedale Streets from Rockwell International, or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept from Rockwell International, by gift, a certain parcel of land situated on Depot Street in Hopedale, adjacent to the Town Hall lot, consisting of .72 acres, more or less, or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a certain parcel of land situated on Depot Street in Hopedale, adjacent to the Town Hall lot, consisting of .72 acres, more or less, or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the continuation of a weed control program for Hopedale Pond, or take any action in relation thereto. (Park Commission)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to insure future compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program as follows:

WHEREAS, certain areas of HOPEDALE are subject to periodic flooding from streams, rivers and ponds causing serious damages to properties within these areas; and

WHEREAS, relief is available in the form of Federally subsidized flood insurance as authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this TOWN MEETING to require the recognition and evaluation of flood and/or mudslide hazards in all official actions relating to land use in the flood plain areas having special flood hazards; and

WHEREAS, this body has the legal authority to adopt land use and control measures to reduce future flood losses pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this TOWN MEETING hereby:

1. Assures the Federal Insurance Administration that it will enact as necessary, and maintain in force for those areas having flood or mudslide hazards, adequate land use and control measures with effective enforcement provisions consistent with the Criteria set forth in Section 1910 of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations; and

2. Vests the BOARD OF SELECTMEN with the responsibility, authority, and means to:

- (a) Delineate or assist the Administrator, at his request, in delineating the limits of the areas having special flood and/or mudslide hazards on available local maps of sufficient scale to identify the location of building sites for further action by the TOWN MEETING.

- (b) Provide such information as the Administrator may request concerning present uses and occupancy of the flood plain.

- (c) Cooperate with Federal, State, and local agencies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map, and identify flood plain or mudslide areas, and cooperate with neighboring communities with respect to management of adjoining

flood plain and/or mudslide areas in order to prevent aggravation of existing hazards.

(d) Submit on the anniversary date of the community's initial eligibility an annual report to the Administrator on the progress made during the past year within the community in the development and implementation of flood plain management measures.

3. The Building Inspector shall, in accordance with the State Building Code, maintain for public inspection and furnish upon request a record of elevations (in relation to mean sea level) of the lowest floor (including basement) of all new or substantially improved structures located in the special flood hazard areas. If the lowest floor is below grade on one or more sides, the elevation of the floor immediately above must also be recorded.

4. Agrees to take such official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the program. (Selectmen)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept a sum or sums of money for the construction and improvement of roads under Chapter 765, to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen in behalf of the Town, to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to construction and improvement of roads or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commission)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, \$3,625.00, for Town Funds to be used in conjunction with and in addition to any funds allotted by the Commonwealth and/or County for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of Town Roads. (Road Commission)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the hands of the Treasurer, a sum of money for the maintenance of streets under Chapter 825, Section 1 of the Acts of 1974, to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to maintenance, reconstruction and repair of public highways and bridges and of the enforcement of traffic, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commission)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a chipper by the Board of Road Commissioners or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commission)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase and installation of gasoline storage tanks by the Board of Selectmen or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen)

ARTICLE 25. To see what disposition the Town will make of moneys received from the United States of America under the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen)

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for emergency medical supplies to be used by the Fire Department, or take any action in relation thereto. Said money to be spent under the direction of the Fire Chief. (David M. Durgin and Others)

ARTICLE 27. To see whether the Town will authorize and direct the Assessors to take a sum of money from available funds to reduce the tax levy for the current year, or take any action in relation thereto. (Assessors)

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in five or more places in said Town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Given under our hands at Hopedale this 16th day of April 1975.

JOHN A. HAYES, Chairman
ROBERT M. PHILLIPS
RICHARD T. MOORE
Selectmen of Hopedale

ATTEST:

Robert B. Taylor, Jr.
Constable of Hopedale

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

May 5, 1975

The annual Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Edwin A. Howard at 7:30 P.M. in the Dennett Auditorium at the High School with 212 voters present, constituting more than the required amount.

Town Clerk Robert S. Phillips read the warrant and on a motion by Richard T. Moore, seconded by Robert M. Phillips, it was voted to dispense with the further reading of the warrant.

Town Clerk Phillips read the posting information stating that copies of the warrant had been made at the following locations by Robert B. Taylor, Jr., Constable:

1. Town Hall
2. Post Office
3. Main Door, Rockwell International
4. Fire Station
5. Mobil Station, South Main Street
6. Community House
7. Rico's Food Center

Finance Committee Chairman Victor Lamothe then announced that Item 25 on Page 5 of the committee's printed report be changed to read \$1,432,898 and that the amount of \$594.26 be inserted in the space allowed for the dog tax information.

Action on the warrant began.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon a tax reform resolution, the report of the Selectmen, and any other officers, departments and committees of said Town. (Selectmen)

On a motion by Selectman Richard T. Moore, duly seconded it was voted:

To hear and act upon a tax reform resolution, the report of the selectmen, and any other officers, departments and committees of said Town.

Richard T. Moore made a motion that the tax reform resolution be unanimously adopted. The motion was duly seconded and it was voted:

To adopt a tax reform resolution to read:

WHEREAS, the Town of Hopedale is annually required to raise funds on the property tax for support of state enacted programs, and;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hopedale does not receive its full entitlement under most state aid categories, and;

WHEREAS, the burden to raise all these funds falls squarely on the taxpayers of the Town of Hopedale, and;

WHEREAS, only a small amount of revenue from the state is received in the Town of Hopedale for municipal services not related to education, and;

WHEREAS, the property taxpayers of the Town of Hopedale can no longer afford to carry the heaviest burden of taxation on the local taxes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the voters of the Town of Hopedale do hereby call upon their legislators and the other members of the General Court along with the governor to vote in favor of a program of municipal aid and additional educational aid during this legislative session and to redistribute the tax burden through use of the less regressive forms of taxes available at the state level, such as sales and/or income tax.

Mr. Moore made a motion, duly seconded, and it was voted:

To hear reports of other committees.

Edward Malloy, clerk of the Municipal Town Vehicle Storage Building Committee reported that the committee, which had been appointed in 1974 had awarded the contract to construct the building to Masiello Brothers of Shrewsbury and that ground had been broken on April 1st, 1975. The building at this time is fifty per cent completed and completion is expected about June 1st, 1975.

Edward Rouleau, chairman of the Department of Public Works Study Committee reported on the progress of that committee. He noted that it is hoped that by next year's annual Town Meeting, the committee will present its recommendations on the feasibility of establishing a Public Works Department.

Town Moderator Edwin A. Howard stated that he will name two people to fill the vacancies existing on the Regional Solid Waste Committee created by the death of Atty. Doyle and the moving from the town of Rolland Morin, Jr. His appointments will be announced at a later date.

On a motion by Mr. Moore, duly seconded, it was

Voted: To accept the report of the selectmen, other officers, departments and committees.

ARTICLE 2. To see what salary and compensation the Town will allow each elected officer for his services. (Selectmen)

On a motion by Robert M. Phillips, seconded by Richard T. Moore, it was unanimously

Voted: To allow the following salary and compensation to each elected officer for his services:

Moderator	\$ 125.00
Town Clerk	1,750.00
Town Treasurer	1,250.00
Tax Collector	1,750.00
Chairman, Board of Selectmen	750.00
2nd Member, Board of Selectmen	600.00
3rd Member, Board of Selectmen	600.00
Chairman, Board of Assessors	1,250.00
2nd Member, Board of Assessors	750.00
3rd Member, Board of Assessors	750.00
Tree Warden	350.00
Chairman, Board of Health	350.00
2nd Member, Board of Health	250.00
3rd Member, Board of Health	250.00
Chairman, Board of Road Commissioners	350.00
2nd Member, Board of Road Commissioners	250.00
3rd Member, Board of Road Commissioners	250.00
Chairman, Park Commissioners	200.00
2nd Member, Park Commissioners	150.00
3rd Member, Park Commissioners	<u>150.00</u>
Total of	\$12,125.00

ARTICLE 3. To raise and appropriate from any surplus or available funds in the Treasury, such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. (Finance Committee)

On a motion by Victor Lamothe, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate from any surplus or available funds in the Treasury, such sum or sums as may be deemed necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year as follows:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1.	General Office	\$ 52,307.00 (hold)
2.	Town Accountant	1,250.00
3.	Town Counsel	1,500.00
4.	Legal Fees—Assoc.—Travel	675.00
5.	Planning Board	100.00
6.	Town Hall Expense	6,700.00
7.	Surplus Property Officer	In General Office

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

8.	Police Department	----
9.	Police Cruiser \$3,500 In General Budget	
10.	Civil Defense	620.00
11.	Tree Warden	2,540.00
12.	Fire Department (Gen.)	140,590.00
13.	Paint Exterior—Station	----
14.	Compressor—Self Breathing	----

HEALTH AND SANITATION

15.	Board of Health	6,210.00
16.	Collection of Garbage	25,000.00
17.	Sewer	905.00 (hold)

HIGHWAY

18.	General Expense	125,691.00 (hold)
19.	4-wheel drive pick up truck	2,000.00
Note:	Four tires, front end loader	2,000.00

STREET LIGHTING

20.	Street Lighting	21,000.00
21.	Street Lighting Improvement	----

COUNCIL ON AGING

22.	Council on Aging	10,391.00
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HISTORICAL COMMISSION

23.	Historical Commission	350.00
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VETERANS' BENEFITS

24.	Veterans' Benefits	20,600.00
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SCHOOLS

25.	Schools — General	1,432,898.00
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LIBRARIES

26. Library — General	\$ 26,060.00
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RECREATION

27. Park Department	21,484.00
28. Conservation	925.00

UNCLASSIFIED

29. Pensions	19,250.00
30. Insurance	25,000.00
31. Town Cemetery	----
32. Memorial Day	450.00
33. Group Insurance	26,000.00
34. Reserve — Self Insurance	800.00

UTILITIES

35. Water Department	72,455.00
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MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

36. Maturing School Bonds	55,000.00
37. Maturing Fire Truck	10,000.00
38. Maturing Municipal Garage Loan	4,000.00
39. Interest — Temporary Loans	4,000.00
40. Interest — School Bonds	12,189.00
41. Interest — Fire Truck	900.00
42. Interest — Municipal Garage	1,980.00

Total	\$2,144,045.00
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Angelo Rosati (Dog Officer) requested the hold on the General Office budget amount; Benjamin Phillips (Sewer Commissioner) requested the hold on the Sewer Department budget and Nicholas Pannichelli requested the hold on the Road Commission (Highway) budget.

After discussion on each of the items which were held, several motions were made restoring them to the amount originally proposed in the motion on Article 3.

A motion made by Bruce Lutz, was duly seconded, and it was unanimously Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$905 for the sewer commissioners budget.

A motion was made by Rudolph Ferrucci, duly seconded, and it was unanimously

Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$125,691 for the highway department budget.

A motion was made by Raymond Andreotti, duly seconded and it was unanimously

Voted: To appropriate the sum of \$52,307 for the General Office account.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial year beginning July 1, 1975 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17. (Treasurer)

On a motion by Selectman Hayes, seconded by Richard T. Moore, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial year beginning July 1, 1975 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 5. To see what disposition the Town will make of money refunded from the County on account of the Dog Tax. (Library Trustees)

On a motion by Library Trustee Howard Smith, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town transfer to the Library Department Account the sum of \$594.76 refunded from the County on account of the dog tax.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the Town. (Selectmen)

On a motion by John A. Hayes, seconded by Richard T. Moore, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the Town.

ARTICLE 7. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Insect Pest Control. (Superintendent of Insect Pest Control)

On a motion by Robert M. Phillips, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for Insect Pest Control.

ARTICLE 8. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the suppression of Dutch Elm Disease. (Superintendent of Insect Pest Control)

On a motion by Robert M. Phillips, seconded by Richard T. Moore, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,021.00 for the suppression of Dutch Elm Disease.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Overlay Reserve, a sum or sums of money for a Reserve Fund. (Finance Committee)

On a motion by Victor Lamothe, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Overlay Reserve, the sum of \$18,000 for a Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, being the Town's proportionate share of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on its bonds, together with expenses of school operation, or take any action in relation thereto. (Member, Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District Committee)

On a motion by Roger V. Burns, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$39,569 for the capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, being the Town's proportionate share of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on its bonds, together with the expenses of school operation.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay its share of the costs and expenses of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission District, or take any action in relation thereto. (Planning Board)

On a motion by Edward L. Condon, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$536 to pay its share of the costs and expenses of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission District.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the sale of lots to the Town Cemetery Account. (Selectmen)

On a motion by Robert M. Phillips, seconded by Richard T. Moore and made unanimous, it was

Voted: That the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$225.00 from the sale of lots to the Town Cemetery Account.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Bicentennial Commission for the purpose of celebrating the Bicentennial Anniversary of the United States of America or take any action in relation thereto. (Bicentennial Commission)

On a motion by Mrs. Geraldine Fafard, duly seconded it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to be expended by the Bicentennial Commission for the purpose of celebrating the Bicentennial Anniversary of the United States of America.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift from Rockwell International the building, with the contents thereof, known as the "Little Red Shop" presently located at the corner of Hopedale and Freedom Streets in the Town of Hopedale. Said building and contents to be under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any action in relation thereto. (Historical Commission)

On a motion by Howard Weaver, seconded by Richard T. Moore, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to accept as a gift from Rockwell International the building, with the contents thereof, known as the "Little Red Shop," presently located at the corner of Hopedale and Freedom Streets in the Town of Hopedale. Said building and contents to be under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease a certain parcel of land located at the corner of Freedom and Hopedale Streets from Rockwell International, or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen)

On a motion by Richard T. Moore, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease a certain parcel of land, located at the corner of Freedom and Hopedale Streets from rockwell International for three years for the sum of \$1.00 per year.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept from Rockwell International, by gift, a certain parcel of land situated on Depot Street in Hopedale, adjacent to the Town Hall lot, consisting of .72 acres, more or less, or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen)

On a motion by John Hayes, duly seconded it was unanimously

Voted: That no action be taken on the article.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a certain parcel of land situated on Depot Street in Hopedale, adjacent to the Town Hall lot, consisting of .72 acres, more or less, or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen)

On a motion by John Hayes, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That no action be taken on the article.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the continuation of a weed control program for Hopedale Pond, or take any action in relation thereto. (Park Commission)

On a motion by John Hayes, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the article be passed over.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to insure future compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program as follows:

WHEREAS, certain areas of HOPEDALE are subject to periodic flooding from streams, rivers and ponds causing serious damages to properties within these areas;

and

WHEREAS, relief is available in the form of Federally subsidized flood insurance as authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968;

and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this TOWN MEETING to require the recognition and evaluation of flood and/or mudslide hazards in all official actions relating to land use in the flood plain areas having special flood hazards;

and

WHEREAS, this body has the legal authority to adopt land use and control measures to reduce future flood losses pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

that this TOWN MEETING hereby:

1. Assures the Federal Insurance Administration that it will enact as necessary, and maintain in force for those areas having flood or mudslide hazards, adequate land use and control measures with effective enforcement provisions consistent with the Criteria set forth in Section 1910 of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations; and
2. Vests the BOARD OF SELECTMEN with the responsibility, authority, and means to:
 - (a) Delineate or assist the Administrator, at his request, in delineating the limits of the areas having special flood and/or mudslide hazards, on available local maps of sufficient scale to identify the location of building sites for further action by the TOWN MEETING.
 - (b) Provide such information as the Administrator may request concerning present uses and occupancy of the flood plain.
 - (c) Cooperate with Federal, State and local agencies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map, and identify flood plain or mudslide areas, and cooperate with neighboring communities with respect to management of adjoining flood plain and/or mudslide areas in order to prevent aggravation of existing hazards.
 - (d) Submit on the anniversary date of the community's initial eligibility an annual report to the Administrator on the progress made during the past year within the community in the development and implementation of flood plain management measures.
3. The Building Inspector shall, in accordance with the State Building Code, maintain for public inspection and furnish upon request a record of elevations (in relation to mean sea level) of the lowest floor (including basement) of all new or substantially improved structures located in the special flood hazard areas. If the lowest floor is below grade on one or more sides, the elevation of the floor immediately above must also be recorded.
4. Agrees to take such official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the program. (Selectmen)

On a motion by Richard T. Moore, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to insure future compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program and that the resolution as printed in Article 19 of the Warrant be adopted.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept a sum or sums of money for the construction and improvement of roads under Chapter 765 to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen, in behalf of the Town, to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to construction and improvement of roads or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commission)

On a motion made by Nicholas J. Pannichelli, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to accept a sum or sums of money for the construction and improvement of roads under Chapter 765, to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen, in behalf of the Town, to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to construction and improvement of roads.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, \$3,625.00, for Town Funds to be used in conjunction with and in addition to any funds allotted by the Commonwealth and/or County for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of Town Roads. (Road Commission)

On a motion by Nicholas J. Pannichelli, duly seconded, and made unanimous, it was

Voted: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,625.00 for Town Funds to be used in conjunction with and in addition to any funds allotted by the Commonwealth and/or County for the construction, reconstruction and improvement of Town Roads.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds in the hands of the Treasurer, a sum of money for the maintenance of streets under Chapter 825, Section 1 of the Acts of 1974, to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to maintenance, reconstruction and repair of public highways and bridges and of the enforcement of traffic, or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commission)

On a motion by Benjamin F. Phillips, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to transfer from available funds in the hands of the treasurer, a sum of money for the maintenance of streets under Chapter 825, Section 1 of the Acts of 1974, to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts, or agreements in regard to maintenance, reconstruction and repair of public highways and bridges and of the enforcement of traffic.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a chipper by the Board of Road Commissioners or take any action in relation thereto. (Road Commission)

On a motion by Merwin A. Noyes, duly seconded, the sum of \$6,500 was proposed for the purchase of a chipper. After discussion on the motion, Moderator Edwin A. Howard called for a voice vote on the motion.

On a voice vote, the motion was defeated.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase and installation of gasoline storage tanks by the Board of Selectmen, or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen)

On a motion by John A. Hayes, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the article be passed over.

ARTICLE 25. To see what disposition the Town will make of monies received from the United States of America under the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen)

On a motion by John A. Hayes, seconded by Richard T. Moore and made unanimous, it was

Voted: That the Town vote to transfer from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for the following sums of money:

\$92,550 for the operation and maintenance of the police department.

\$ 5,000 for a Weed Control Program in Hopedale Pond under the supervision of the Park Commission.

\$ 2,500 for the purchase and installation of gasoline storage tanks under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for emergency medical supplies to be used by the Fire Department, or take any action in relation thereto. Said money to be spent under the direction of the Fire Chief. (David M. Durgin and Others)

On a motion by David Durgin, seconded by David Carchio, it was

Voted: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for emergency medical supplies to be used by the Fire Department. Said money to be spent under the direction of the Fire Chief.

ARTICLE 27. To see whether the Town will authorize and direct the Assessors to take a sum of money from available funds to reduce the tax levy for the current year, or take any action in relation thereto. (Assessors)

On a motion by Alfred A. Norman, and duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town authorize and direct the Assessors to take the sum of \$66,445, (\$44,544 from free cash; \$5,000 from Isabella Chase Fund and \$16,901 from Real Estate and Personal Property taxes collected in 1975* from 1973 and prior years) from available funds to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

* (Collected through March 31st, 1975)

On a motion by Richard T. Moore, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: To dissolve the warrant at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

VIRGINIA R. CYR
Town Meeting Secretary

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

SEPTEMBER 17, 1975

Worcester, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Hopedale, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale, qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet in the Auditorium of the Town Hall on September 17, 1975 at 7:30 P.M., then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to place the following question on the ballot of the 1976 Annual Town Election, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 32B, Section 11A as follows: "Shall the Town purchase additional group life and group accidental death and dismemberment insurance for employees in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32B of the General Laws with no premium contribution from the Town?"

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing a sum of money for the renovation and/or alteration of Town Buildings and facilities; said sums of money to be used in conjunction with any other sums of money received from Federal or State grants; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen in behalf of the Town to apply for and accept any such grants. All of said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the School Department general budget salaries and wages account, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in five or more public places in said Town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Given under our hands at Hopedale this 27th day of August, 1975.

JOHN A. HAYES
ROBERT M. PHILLIPS
RICHARD T. MOORE
Selectmen of Hopedale

ATTEST:

Robert B. Taylor, Jr.
Constable of Hopedale

MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

SEPTEMBER 17, 1975

Town Moderator, Edwin A. Howard, called the meeting to order in the Town Hall Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. promptly. There were 72 voters present at the outset of the meeting, and Mr. Howard declared there was a quorum present. (With late arrivals, the total of voters present according to the Registrars was 82)

Town Clerk Phillips read the warrant and on a motion by Selectman Richard Moore, duly seconded, it was

Voted: To dispense with the further reading of the warrant.

Mr. Phillips then read the posting of the warrant noting that on August 28th, 1975 the warrant was posted in five places: Town Hall, Main Entrance to Draper Division, Rockwell International, Post Office, Hopedale, Community House, and Mobil Station in South Hopedale.

The meeting then proceeded with Article 1 read by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to place the following question on the ballot of the 1976 Annual Town Election in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 32B, Section 11A as follows: "Shall the Town purchase additional group life and group accidental death and dismemberment insurance for employees in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32B of the General Laws with no premium contribution from the Town?"

On a motion by John Johnson, seconded by Selectman Moore, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to place the following question on the ballot for the 1976 Annual Town Election, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 32B, Section 11A as follows: "Shall the Town purchase additional group life and group accidental death and dismemberment insurance for employees in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32B of the General Laws with no premium contribution from the Town?"

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds or raise by borrowing a sum of money for the renovation and/or alteration of Town Buildings and facilities; said sums of money to be used in conjunction with any other sums of money received from Federal or State grants; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen in behalf of the Town to apply for and accept any such grants. All of said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

On a motion by Selectman John A. Hayes, seconded by Selectman Moore, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$12,500 for the renovation and/or alteration of Town Buildings and facilities; said sum of money to be used in conjunction with any other sums of money received from Federal or State grants; and that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen in behalf of the Town to apply for and accept any such grants including, but not limited to, funds available from the United States Government under grants from Title X of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 and Title I of the Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. All of said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the School Department general budget salaries and wages account, or take any action in relation thereto.

On a motion by School Committeeman Vincent Rubeo and seconded by Howard Weaver, it was

Voted: That the Town vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$14,300 to the School Department general budget salaries and wages account.

Finance Committee Chairman Andreotti reported at the meeting that his committee had met just prior to the meeting and had given favorable recommendations to the two articles requesting money.

At 7:44 p.m. on a motion by Selectman Moore, and duly seconded, it was

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

Respectfully submitted,

VIRGINIA R. CYR
Town Meeting Secretary

REPORT OF THE VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT

INTRODUCTION

I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Veterans' Services Department for the year ending December 31, 1975.

The Veterans' Services Department offers services to veterans, their widows, orphans, and dependents in preparation and presentation of claims for benefits under the various local, state and federal statute.

Due to the economic conditions in the area, the year 1975 may be recorded as one of the worst years that our Department has been faced with.

Fortunately, the federal and state government found it necessary to increase and extend unemployment compensation benefits to many of the unemployed workers in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Although our Department had a substantial increase in the number of cases aided, we were fortunate for these extended benefits. As many unemployed workers qualified for a maximum of sixty-five weeks of unemployment benefits. This fact alone reduced the total expenditures of the Veterans' Services Department from October 1974 thru December 1975.

The Department of Veterans' Services was again in the position of relieving our case load by placing a few qualified veterans into the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (C.E.T.A.) program.

As reported last year, the economic conditions, although bleak last year, show no signs of improving for the year 1976. And with the Unemployment Compensation extension benefits now exhausted, it can be anticipated that a substantial increase in the total Veterans' Benefits will be expected.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Veterans' Services Department cannot fulfill its purposes without the assistance of various agencies and people who have direct or indirect dealings with our veterans and their dependents. Therefore, I take this opportunity to thank the following for their efforts during this past year, 1975: Board of Selectmen, Commissioner of Veterans' Services, Staff of Massachusetts Veterans' Services Department, William F. Connors, Manager, Veterans' Administration Regional Office in Boston, Local Veterans' Organizations.

In closing may I state that our Hopedale Veterans' Services Department is a "ONE STOP CENTER" for on the spot information for all categories of Veterans' Benefits.

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY J. MASTROIANNI
Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

For the 1976 Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1976

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Raised from Tax Levy	\$2,206,424.00	
From Available Funds	67,005.76	
Revenue Sharing	<u>100,050.00</u>	\$2,373,479.76
School Lunch Program		7,549.20
Free Public Libraries		1,609.50
Retirement System		43,604.03
State Tax & Assessments		27,762.66
State Tax Underestimate (1975 Fiscal Year)		1,959.30
County Tax & Assessments		89,045.71
Overlay		<u>55,805.80</u>
GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED		\$2,600,815.96

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS and AVAILABLE FUNDS

Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	\$ 125,000.00
General Government & Special Assessments	3,660.00
Water Department	92,672.64
Regional Voc. School Aid	9,151.00
(Chap. 436, Acts 1975)	
Estimated Receipts Certified	
by Commissioner	587,250.68
1975 Fiscal Year County Tax	
Overestimate	13,422.01
1975 Fiscal Year State Tax	
Overestimate	264.86
Voted from Available Funds	167,055.76
Available Funds to Reduce Tax Rate	<u>66,445.00</u>

TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS and AVAILABLE FUNDS \$1,064,921.95

NET AMOUNT RAISED BY TAXATION ON PROPERTY \$1,535,894.01

VALUATION

Personal Property	\$ 795,770.00 @ 63.00M	50,133.51
Real Estate	<u>23,583,500.00 @ 63.00M</u>	<u>1,485,760.50</u>

TOTAL TAXES LEVIED

ON PROPERTY \$24,379,270.00 \$1,535,894.01

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED A. NORMAN, Chairman

CHARLES R. COX

PERRY K. MacNEVIN

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging respectfully submit their Annual Report for the Year Ending December 31, 1975.

The Council has completed four years providing Tours, Shopping and Transportation for Senior Citizens. Activities at the Community House have tripled. Among them Square Dancing and Bowling, Card Games and Crafts are still one of the major activities. Many items were made for the Hopedale residents in the various Rest Homes in the area.

Services include Assistance in Social Security and Blue Cross. Milford Federal Bank sent representatives to aid with the new Direct Deposit Account. The District Nursing Association and the Board of Health provided flu shots here at the Community House and also at the Housing Authority. Together over one hundred senior citizens took advantage of this low cost service. In February we had an Oral Cancer Clinic and a Tax Return Service was also available.

Many senior citizens prepared and served refreshments for the Red Cross Bloodmobile and also provided and served a hot lunch to the Staff.

Working with the Bicentennial Commission was a new and active project during the Fourth of July.

By invitation from the Hopedale Fire Department, over 126 visited the Fire Station and received information about the work done by the Rescue Truck.

The Council meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Community House at 4 P.M. with an average attendance of eight members.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, the School Committee, Mr. Robert Donley and the Community House personnel and everyone who has enabled us to make this a "Year of Service to the Senior Citizens."

Respectfully submitted,

OLGA TILL, Administrator

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health held twenty four (24) regular meetings and four (4) meetings with the Finance Committee. Two (2) of these meetings were for the regular yearly budget and two (2) were held to acquire funds to extend the present garbage contract for two (2) months. The present contract expires April 30, 1976. This would make the new contract coincide with the fiscal year. The cost of this was four thousand nine hundred forty one dollars and sixty-six cents (\$4,941.66). Throughout the year the Board attended several meetings with the Central Massachusetts Association Boards of Health and three (3) meetings in Worcester sponsored by the Department of Public Health.

Appointments for the year were:

Benjamin F. Phillips	Sanitation Officer
William C. Krauss	Milk Inspector
Carol A. Pellegrino	Clerk
Robert J. Rossetti	Plumbing and Gas Inspector
A. W. Farrell	Health Doctor
Milford Area Visiting Nurse Association	Nursing Service
George A. Mongiat	Agent to Sign Burial Permits

Medical Services

Milford Area Visiting Nurse Association

Total Number of Home Visits	765
Total Number Seen at Clinics	940
Diabetes Clinic	180
Lead Paint Clinic	80
T.B. Clinic	13
Elderly Drop-In Clinic	400
Child Health Clinic	25
Immunization	192
Flu Clinic	161

Valley Adult Counseling Service

In the twelve (12) month period forty-four (44) residents were served for a total of four hundred ninety hours (490).

New Cases	27
Client Hours	271
Number of Clients	36
Number of Cases Active	23

A Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee was appointed by the Town Moderator. Appointed to this committee were William C. Krauss, Diane M. Markarian and Peter S. Ellis.

All schools were checked for lead paint and all proved to be negative.

Through the year several inspections were made of all food-serving establishments, rest homes and all public buildings.

In closing, the Board would like to thank all their appointees and all departments that helped them perform their various duties.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES P. JOHNSON, Chairman
JOAN F. DRISKO
WILLIAM C. KRAUSS

REPORT OF SANITATION OFFICER

During the past twelve months I have issued nine sewer permits and conducted nine new sewer system inspections.

Five dogs and four cats were picked up from highways in town and buried.

Apprehended were fourteen people who had dumped rubbish beside the road. They were ordered to pick it up, which they did.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN F. PHILLIPS
Sanitation Officer
Board of Health

REPORT OF THE MILK INSPECTOR

In March of 1975 I was appointed the Milk Inspector by the Board of Health. All milk dealers that deliver milk and oleomargarine products in the Town of Hopedale were contacted and requested to obtain permits. Permits were issued to all dealers having established good quality products, as determined by State regulations.

A sum of \$30.00 was collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. KRAUSS
Milk Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

During the year 1975 there were 68 Plumbing Permits issued. A total of \$873.00 was collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT J. ROSSETTI
Plumbing Inspector

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission has recently reorganized. Present members include Anthony Manzola, David Guglielmi, Barry Stewart, Clayton Wright, Kenneth Mooradian, and Donald Haynes, Sr.

Our prime concern is development of the South Hopedale Playground Area. We hope to provide facilities that are both sensible to the taxpayer and necessary for the town's recreational goals.

We welcome and encourage any ideas or suggestions as to how we may improve or develop this recreational area of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY MANZOLA, Chairman
DAVID GUGLIELMI, Clerk

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

By vote of the Water Commissioners, the following report of the Administrator of the Water Department is hereby adopted as the report of the Water Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. HAYES, Chairman
ROBERT M. PHILLIPS
RICHARD T. MOORE

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATOR

The year 1975 brought many changes to the Water Department. The most notable of these were the retirement of Superintendent George K. Allen and the reorganization of the department. Superintendent Allen served this community as a dedicated public servant for many years, lending his knowledge, background and genuine interest to effective management of this department. Recently the wells at both pumping stations were washed. Thirty-one wells were checked with thirty requiring wash treatment. The combined yield of the thirty wells after washing was 936 gallons per minute (GPM) compared to a yield of 508 (GPM) before washing. This improvement would indicate that the washing is a most beneficial means of corrective maintenance resulting in both increased productivity and improved quality. In addition to washing, the valves in two wells were repaired along with rating and washing of the two observation wells at the Greene Street Station.

The Water Commissioners passed a delinquent water bill policy in 1975 which has improved the collection on customer accounts. The Water Billing System, which is set up by reading routes, entails the billing of major industrial accounts on a monthly basis. Residential accounts are divided into thirds, one third to be billed the first month of the quarter, one third the second month, and one third the last month, thereby providing the quarterly billing for residential users. When customers are found to have two or more water bills (6 months) in arrears they become delinquent in their account and are notified by registered mail that service will be terminated ten days after a public hearing if arrangements have not been made to pay on the account. The full text of this policy can be found in Section 3 of the Selectmen's Policy and Practice Handbook.

Studies are presently being conducted for a review of the present rate structure and a meter replacement program. A report on both of these areas will be presented to the Commissioners before the budgets for the next fiscal year are finalized.

Overall, consumption statistics declined in 1975. Much of this is attributed to the decrease in the operation of Rockwell International. However, this does not mean that adequate yields of water will be achieved. Assuming the present consumption trend continues it may cause a marginal decrease in purchases from the Milford Water Company. It is important that we recognize that a decrease in consumption also results in a decrease in water revenue.

The Water Commissioners and the Administrator met this year with Leo Peters of Weston & Sampson, the Town's consulting engineer, for an update on the feasibility study being conducted that would provide additional water supply by utilizing the surface water at the Hopedale Pond. It was pointed out at this meeting that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) had revised their

standards and that implementing the present plan would be financially impossible. The Commissioners contacted Senators Kennedy and Brooke, and Congressman Early, along with EPA officials, to urge reconsideration of these standards. These efforts proved positive when the requirements were revised, allowing the study to move forward.

I am most grateful to George Allen for his assistance prior to retirement, and the continued support of Edward Graveson and Robert Mallard who share the enormous task of maintaining the system. The department is particularly grateful for the continued clerical assistance of the General Office Staff and in particular Mrs. Barbara Adams.

We look forward to the continued support and cooperation of all departments and residents as we begin the year 1976.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD J. STOCK
Administrator

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Title to the sewer plant was transferred this year by Rockwell International to the Town of Hopedale with the deed being recorded on November 30, 1975.

The Board of Sewer Commissioners has conducted several meetings through the year with Frank and Allen Morgenroth of the firm of Morgenroth Associates, consulting engineers for the Town of Hopedale.

A lengthy meeting was conducted with the Morgenroths in November at which time the discharge permit required by the State Division of EPA was discussed, along with requirements of an automatic sampler and the bench scale study.

The bench study was started in mid-December and samples are being taken to Amherst twice weekly at the expense of Rockwell International. The study is expected to take three months for completion.

During the past year, Rockwell International purchased a considerable amount of laboratory equipment, bringing the plant's laboratory close to State requirements for such a facility at this time.

Communications received from the State's Water Pollution Control Division have been received on a number of occasions stating the fact that the services of a second Grade III plant operator are needed and must be acquired.

The Board has been in constant contact with officials at Rockwell International regarding this matter and at the present time it appears that this regulation will be complied with by the first of the year.

A break in the line servicing Mendon Street residents was experienced this year. Repairs were required and because of the expense, which was not anticipated when the budget for the Board of Sewer Commissioners was recommended to the Town Meeting by the Finance Committee, it was necessary to seek a transfer of funds on October 30, 1975 in the amount of \$1,383.00.

In conjunction with an agreement between the Town of Hopedale and the Town of Milford for the tie-in of homes on Villa Drive to the Milford system, and in return, the tie-in of homes on DeLuca Drive in Milford to the Hopedale system, state permission was received to complete the agreement.

There are thirty homes in the DeLuca Road area to be tied into the Hopedale system.

Residents who experience problems with the sewer system are now advised to call 478-5340 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. The emergency number to be called after these hours is 473-3766.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN PHILLIPS, Chairman
HOWARD E. WHITNEY, Clerk
RANDELL F. SAMPLE

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMISSION

The following is the first annual report of the Building Commission for the twelve month period from January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975.

On January 1, 1975, the State Building Code for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts went into effect. Basically, the code is a major step forward in the formulation of a building regulatory system, which will have an impact on both the private and public sectors.

More significantly, this system places the state on record as a proponent of technological change in an industry whose impact is both profound and pervasive on every citizen of the Commonwealth. Through the implementation of this system, the State and Town will fulfill a most important obligation — that of promoting an improved quality of life in the most cost-efficient manner possible.

We immediately recognized that local citizens required assistance to conform to these new regulations. Regular monthly office hours were established to afford the general public a convenient access to local officials responsible for implementing these regulations. We also recognize that the administration of this commission will require additional time, especially in view of the ever-changing regulations.

The schedule of fees for construction is available in the commissioner's office.

The following is a breakdown on the permits issued from January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975:

New Construction	5
Additions	15
Repair & Remodeling	7
Swimming Pools	4

Estimated Construction — \$453,730.00

Amount collected for permits — \$340.00

Respectfully submitted,

CLAYTON WRIGHT, Commissioner

ROBERT BROWN

HERBERT DURGIN

STEVEN HACKENSON

Building Inspectors

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The report of the Police Department ending December 31, 1975 is as follows:

Arrests	87
With Warrants	20
Without Warrants	51
Motor Vehicle violations	20
Stolen cars	6
Disorderly conduct	10
Violation of Drug Laws	10
Minors in possession of Alcohol	10
Larceny	12
Females	8
Males	76
Adults	71
Minors	16
Violation of Motor Vehicle Laws	558
Citations issued	114
Warnings	26
Complaints	68
Arrests	20
Defective equipment	10
Parking violations	319
Accidents investigated	240
Personal injury	31
Persons injured	36
Property damage	10
Male operators	63
Female operators	28
Adult operators	63
Minor operators	9
Calls answered (including the following)	2,423
Vandalism	31
Larceny	22
Larceny of Motor Vehicles	6
Bomb scares	3
Breaking-entry and larceny	12
Hit & Run	7
Missing persons	3
Hospital trips	16

Summonses delivered	182
Boat permits issued	6
Gun permits issued	22
Gun identification cards issued	440
False burglar alarms	26
Security trips to bank	68
Funerals escorted	31
Vehicle identification numbers checked	78
Assistance to other Police Departments	32
Requests for accident reports	39
Requests for Police records	16
Street lights reported to Mass. Electric	62
Door and windows found open or unlocked	174
Private homes checked	163
Security checks of Public Buildings	12,800
Miles travelled	71,700

It has not been a very good year for most people. Looking at my Police Report I see that we are up in most cases unfortunately. We have handled more calls, but we have also maintained a very good overall record in all avenues of Police work. Let me say as your Chief of Police that the good record that we all enjoy is due to the fact that the people in Hopedale care and cooperate with their Police Department. I think we have a town second to none.

Again, thank you, the people, the Honorable Board of Selectmen and all the Departments we work with all through the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT B. TAYLOR, Jr.
Chief of Police

OATH OF POLICE CHIEF

Do you, Robert B. Taylor, Jr., solemnly swear and affirm that you will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all of the duties incumbent upon you as Chief of Police of the Town of Hopedale according to the best of your abilities and understanding, agreeable to the rules and regulations of the department, and agreeable to the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Constitution of the United States of America, So Help You God.

I do . Robert B. Taylor, Jr.

I, Robert B. Taylor, Jr., do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof, So Help Me God.

March 31, 1975

Hopedale, Massachusetts

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, Robert B. Taylor, Jr., who subscribed to the above oaths in the affirmative this 31st day of March, 1975.

Robert S. Phillips
Town Clerk

REPORT ON CIVIL DEFENSE

In the past year we have all noted the cutback in State Personnel this has not interfered with CD activities in our area.

One of our concerns was with regard to the flooding due to heavy rains in this area. A close watch was maintained because of this. We are in touch with the Chief of Security at Rockwell who controls the dams during heavy rains. North Pond and all the way down to Spindleville are lowered in the Fall to take care of ice conditions in the winter and heavy rains in the Spring.

The CD played an active role in the recovery of a lost child in Hopedale.

In 1975 many persons have availed themselves of the opportunity of using our facilities beds, chairs, crutches, etc.

We still carry out our Monthly Communication Tests at the Fire Station. We have also furnished coffee to the firefighters during several fires.

We wish to thank all municipal departments for their assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. V. PEPPER, CD Director

W. F. BURRILL, Asst. Director

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Hopedale:

I herewith submit the report of the Hopedale Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1975.

The personnel of your Fire Department for the year was comprised of the following:

1 Permanent Fire Chief (under Chapter 48, Sec. 42, 43, 44)
1 Call Deputy Fire Chief
8 Permanent Firefighters (under Civil Service)
30 Call Firefighters

Alarm Responses:

From January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975 the Department responded to 233 alarms and 42 service calls. 201 still alarms, 15 squad calls, and 17 box alarms.

A breakdown of the responses is as follows:

Building Fires	9
Brush, Grass and Dump Fires	38
False Alarms	5
Electrical Equipment Fires	18
Automobile & Truck Fires	15
Rubbish & Trash Fires	7
Mutual Aid to other Towns	17
Chimney Fires	4
Oil Burner Fires	4
Chemical Fires	2
Industrial Oven Fires	1
Bomb Scares	2
Automatic Sprinkler Alarms	3
Gas Leaks	3
Wash Gasoline from Streets	6
Smoke Investigations	22
Search for Lost Persons	2
Persons Locked Out	14
Medical Assistance & Rescue	47
Miscellaneous Calls	14
Service Calls	42

Permits Issued 1975

Storage of Flammable Liquids	9
Blasting Permits	2
Permits to Alter & Install Oil Burners	20
Permits to Store Fuel Oil	20
Permits to Decorate Public Halls	1
Permits to Store Acetylene	1
Permits for Tank Trucks	12
Permits for Storage of Black Powder	1
Permits under Chapter 1031	129
Inspections by Fire Chief	168
Inspection with Town Wire Inspector	9
Inspections with Department of Public Safety	2
Investigations with Fire Marshal's Office	2
Inspections with Town Building Inspector	10
Flow Test for Insurance Company	7

Equipment and Apparatus for the year ending December 31, 1975:
Central Fire Station, Dutcher Street (needs some repairs)

Apparatus:

Engine 1 1961 Farrar 750 gpm pumper (in good condition)
Engine 2 1968 Maxim 1000 gpm pumper (in good condition)
Engine 4 1947 American-LaFrance 1000 gpm pumper (in good condition)
Ladder 1 1973 Maxim 85' Aerial Ladder Truck (in good condition)
1 1953 GMC 1500 gallon Tank Truck (should be replaced)
1 1968 Chevrolet Station Wagon (should be replaced)
1 1968 International Rescue Truck (fair condition)
1 1958 Ford Fire Alarm Truck (fair condition)

7000 ft. of 2½" hose

3000 ft. of 1½" hose

2500 ft. of 1 1/8" hose

4 Generator Lighting Plants

3 Portable Pumps (for brush fires)

8 Mobile Radios and Base Station

1 Portable Radio

18 Self Contained Breathing Apparatus

1 Compressor for Filling Breathing Apparatus Tanks

50 Street Fire Alarm Boxes

11 Master Fire Alarm Boxes

Approximately 12 miles of aerial fire alarm wire and 5500 ft. of 8 pair cable

I would like to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Police Department, Water Department, Highway Department, School Department, Office Staff of the Town Hall and the Citizens of the Town of Hopedale for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT S. DURGIN
Fire Chief

REPORT OF THE BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

1975 was a most productive and enjoyable year for the Bicentennial Commission. Meetings were held on a weekly basis for several months as we designed, what we hoped would be a memorable and enjoyable year for all residents.

The success of the July 4th Field Day, culminated a year of numerous activities that included: bake sales, square dance, skating party, parades, and many others.

The Little Red Shop was highlighted by the Commission to signify its historical association with the community. A matching grant was received from the State Bicentennial Commission to be used for repair and restoration to the shop. Plans will soon be finalized to open the shop as a museum.

In closing we wish to express our sincere appreciation to the many people who offered their time and energy to making this year a success.

Sincerely,

GERI FAFARD

REPORT OF BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Park Commissioners is pleased to report that numerous townspeople enjoyed a successful recreational season.

The three tennis courts located at the town park have now been resurfaced and lighted for night use. This project was completed with monies appropriated at the September 30, 1974 Town Meeting. Many residents, both young and old, took advantage of this excellent facility. Tennis instruction was offered to children and adults during the morning, afternoon, and evening.

Miss Bette Robjent served as the Recreational Director for our summer program this season. A variety of activities were available at the park. Children could work on arts and crafts projects, participate in athletic games, or take part in supervised field trips.

Hopedale Pond Activities were conducted and supervised by our certified staff of life guards. Recreational and instructional swimming were offered during the day for children and nightly for adults.

The Aquatic Management Program was successful. The pond's aesthetic beauty and its recreational efficiency were enhanced by the treatment from the Allied Biological Control Corporation. Excessive aquatic vegetation was controlled to within desired ecological limits.

We were particularly pleased by the number of adults who participated in the tennis and swimming programs offered during the summer. We hope to offer more programs and involve more interested townspeople. Any suggestions to improve our entire recreational program are both encouraged and welcomed.

Once again, our thanks to the various town departments for their cooperation and assistance. We also thank the organizations of the town who worked with us to improve recreational activities.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID GUGLIELMI
CHARLES HENSEL
THOMAS STOCK

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS

A sizeable portion of Freedom Street was reconstructed during 1975, with highway department employees working under force account in conjunction with Chapter 90 funds.

The portion completed was widened, leveled and resurfaced. A considerable amount of blasting for ledge removal was required and new drains and grates were installed and problem areas corrected prior to the resurfacing.

Merwin L. Noyes served as chairman for 1975 with Benjamin F. Phillips as clerk, and Nicholas J. Pannichelli as the third board member. John Johnson was reappointed highway department foreman. Virginia R. Cyr was re-named secretary to the board.

During the year, several serious drainage problems were corrected, necessitating new pipe installations. A number of damaged sidewalks were also repaired.

Some sidewalks originally scheduled for reconstruction did not get completed, as it was discovered after meetings with the Finance Committee and agreement on a budget figure, that the sum of \$13,000 was deducted from the account for this work by the Finance Committee.

The explanation to the deletion of this money was that it was deducted in anticipation of receipt of state monies.

The highway department cooperated with the Bicentennial Commission by blocking roads during the parade and subsequent field day events at Town Park on July 4th.

An antique scraper, formerly used by the highway department was taken from storage, painted red, white and blue, and entered in the parade. Road stripings along the parade route were painted red, white and blue to add to the theme of the observance.

The Board wishes to acknowledge with gratitude the time and effort given by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hammond in caring for the plants arranged in pieces of pipe at the island at the Mendon and Adin Street area during the spring and summer months.

Late in the summer, the Board cooperated with the School Department, at the request of School Superintendent Donald Hayes and CETA workers in the construction of a sidewalk at the high school.

The Board regrets to state that residents of the town continue to rake leaves into gutters, despite repeated requests by the Board to refrain from this practice.

Prime offenders this past fall appeared to be residents of Dutcher, Daniels, Adin and South Main Streets. The Board insists that this practice must cease. Leaves are to be raked only to the property line from where they will be picked up by department employees.

Leaves raked into gutters cause clogging of drains and flooding of roads when rains occur, resulting in inconvenience to all residents, and extra expense in overtime wages to employees correcting the problem.

Those refusing to comply with the Board's request cause themselves and the taxpayers of the town additional costs.

Respectfully submitted,

MERWIN L. NOYES, Chairman
BENJAMIN F. PHILLIPS, Clerk
NICHOLAS J. PANNICHELLI

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The Librarian respectfully submits the 90th annual report.

During the year, the Bancroft Memorial Library has continued to serve the public as efficiently as possible. Again this year we are able to report an increase in our circulation.

There were 198 new borrowers registered during the year, 95 in the children's room, 94 in the adult section and 9 at the Branch.

National Library Week was observed in April, with both adult and children's books on display. The three third grade classes visited the library during the week. Children's Book Week was observed in November. Mrs. Hattersley, the Children's Librarian, visited the 5th and 6th grades at the Dutcher Street School to display the new books and give some short reviews.

During the year, a Cub Scout den and Blue Bird groups visited the library. In November, Mrs. O'Connor's 5th grade class visited. There were four story hours held in the past year.

A summer reading program called Book Parade was conducted for the 4th, 5th, and 6th grades. Fifteen children participated with a total of 386 books read. Busy Bee's certificates were presented to 38 children in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades. 1,185 books were read in this group. Award ribbons and paper back books were given as prizes in both groups.

Books may be borrowed from the Worcester Library for any patron who requests them. We are now getting large print books from the Bookmobile, which visits us about every 6 weeks, for the residents at the two Rest Homes in Hopedale. Films are also available upon request. We also have a small supply of records supplemented by those borrowed from the Bookmobile.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thayer is the Librarian at the Branch which is in her home at 25 Warfield Street. This is run for the convenience of the residents in the South end of town. Books are sent from the Main Library about every month.

We wish to acknowledge the many gifts of magazines and books presented to us by the Townspeople.

Again, my heartfelt thanks go to the staff and Board of Trustees for their continued cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

CONSTANCE L. CLARK
Librarian

LIBRARY REPORT
ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
December 31, 1975

Name of Library	The Bancroft Memorial Library
Town	Hopedale, Massachusetts
Population (town census 1975)	4,014
Number of days open during year (Main Library)	270
Hours for lending (Main Library)	30 per week

REGISTRATION

Number of new borrowers in 1975	
Main Library	189
Branch	9
Number of persons using reading and reference rooms	2,582
Fines and collections paid to Town Treasurer	\$70.83

INCREASE

	ADULT	JUV.	TOTAL
Number of volumes at beginning of year	17,918	4,211	22,129
Number of volumes added	398	236	634
Number of volumes withdrawn	<u>350</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>481</u>
Total number of volumes December 31, 1975	17,966	4,316	22,282
Number of newspapers currently received		3	
Number of periodicals currently received		60	

CIRCULATION

	ADULT	JUV.	TOTAL
Volumes of fiction	11,188	16,152	27,340
Volumes of non fiction	12,760	7,564	20,324
Circulation at Branch	<u>234</u>	<u>646</u>	<u>880</u>
	24,182	24,362*	48,544

* Includes school circulation

REPORT OF WIRING INSPECTOR

As your Wiring Inspector I submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1975.

33 Wiring Inspections
7 Request Inspections

A total sum of \$299.25 was collected and turned over to the Office Manager.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. SHIMKUS
Wiring Inspector

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

As your Inspector of Animals I submit the following report:

I have inspected all animals and the premises where they are kept. I have quarantined thirteen dogs which have bitten people and reported to me by the Board of Health.

Respectfully submitted,

W. CHESTER SANBORN
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

As your Superintendent of Insect Pest Control I submit the following report:

Sixteen Elm trees which were infected with Dutch Elm Disease were removed and destroyed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. CHESTER SANBORN
Superintendent of Insect Pest Control

REPORT OF ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Zoning Board of Appeals met on the third Thursday of every month in 1975. During the past year sixteen appeals were received by the Board. Two applications were withdrawn before a hearing. Fourteen cases were heard at public hearings and decisions were rendered on all fourteen cases.

The Zoning Board of Appeals at present are defendants in the Worcester Superior Court versus Richard Lawless, plaintiff, for the decision not permitting a beauty salon in a converted structure at 8 Mendon Street, an R B District which is exclusively residential.

The announcement of Attorney James J. Larkin's resignation as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals was received with regret on December 12, 1975. Mr. Larkin's wisdom and contribution, time and dedication were most respected during his five years on the Board, four of which were served as Chairman. His service to the Town of Hopedale was most commendable.

Sincere appreciation is extended to the Town Hall Staff for their complete attention to detail in preparation of reports, notices and decisions.

Respectfully submitted,

ELDON S. BIGGS, Vice Chairman
ATTY. JAMES J. LARKIN, Chairman
LINWOOD R. WRENN, Secretary
CHARLES H. ESPANET, Jr.
PHILIP W. MALLARD
ATTY. PETER J. YOUNG
NORMA E. THURSTON, Associate Member
ROBERT E. McCALLUM, Associate Member

REPORT OF HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Hopedale Housing Authority submits to you and citizens of Hopedale its fourteenth annual report.

The Authority held 12 regular meetings and 2 special meetings during the year 1975. The members also attended one meeting of the Blackstone Valley Association of Housing Officials.

The construction of the Mortimer C. Dennett Apartments progressed according to schedule and the project was completed in March as per the contract with C. Richard Stevens & Associates.

An Open House was held on April 6, 1975 attended by over 400 townspeople and guests. One apartment was open and furnished by Stone Furniture Co. of Milford to enable the townspeople to view the completed living area.

Tenants began moving into their homes on April 7th and all apartments were occupied by June 1, 1975.

The Formal Dedication of the Mortimer C. Dennett Apartments was held on May 18, 1975 with appropriate ceremonies on the premises. The Dennett family, State and local government officials were special guests and the public was also invited. A reception was held in the Recreation Hall for all those in attendance.

The addition to the original Recreation Hall was completed and newly decorated and many activities for the residents have been held this year. A cook-out for all tenants was given by the Authority in July to enable the new residents to become acquainted.

At the present time all apartments in both Projects are occupied with a total of 94 residents and again a waiting list for occupancy is steadily growing.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT J. BROWN, Chairman
HAROLD W. WARD
EDWARD J. MALLOY
HAROLD H. STEARNS
M. RUSSELL DENNETT

REPORT OF THE SURPLUS PROPERTY OFFICER

In 1973, the Town established a Surplus Property program. Since that time a considerable amount of vehicles, office supplies and furniture have been purchased at little or no cost to the taxpayers. The Surplus Program is funded with federal tax dollars and provides purchase costs far below the normal premiums.

This year we were able to acquire much of the office equipment needed in the new Town Hall offices and conference rooms. Desks, chairs, and tables were purchased, and with the assistance of the Town's C.E.T.A. workers, these items were repaired and painted for Town use. Additional equipment has been purchased for various departments upon request.

The Board of Selectmen continues to exercise control over this program to insure that only needed equipment, which will benefit the Town, is acquired.

Respectfully submitted,

NICHOLAS J. PANNICHELLI

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

YEAR	EMPLOYEES	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES
1975	108	\$ 1,447,202	\$ 1,349,474.92
1974	105	1,301,700	1,255,480.32
1973	109	1,885,640	1,128,325.80

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The members of the Hopedale School Committee have voted to adopt the report of the Superintendent of Schools as the Committee's annual report.

MR. VINCENT E. RUBEO, Chairman
DR. WILLIAM D. FITZGERALD
DR. VINCENT J. ARONE
MR. DAVID S. BEARD
ATTORNEY DAVID T. PAGNINI
Hopedale School Committee

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The size and composition of the Hopedale School Committee remained the same during 1975 with the re-election of Dr. William Fitzgerald in the March elections. The activity pattern of the School Committee was normal during 1975, with 11 regular meetings and 5 special meetings called for the conduct of school business. Dr. Fitzgerald served as the Chairman of the School Committee from January through the March election, and the gavel was then passed to Mr. Vincent Rubeo who presided for the balance of the year.

Members of the School Committee continued active participation in School Committee activities, both locally and State-wide with attendance at both Area IV and State Meetings of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees. In addition, the Committee in its entirety attended the Annual Meeting of the Blackstone Valley Special Needs Collaborative and two members attended the National Association of School Boards Meeting held in Miami, Florida.

Local reactions to actions by the legislature in Boston continued to occupy the attention of the School Committee during 1975, particularly the impact of Chapter 766, the Special Education Law; Chapter 622, the Equal Opportunity Law; regulations received on the student records laws; and Chapter 303 of 1975, amendments to the Open Meeting Law. While the impact of each of these differs, in general, two broad implications can be drawn; that the cost to the local taxpayer will be greater as a result of these program mandates, and the complexity of the total school operation will be increased.

Nineteen seventy-five saw the retirement of Mrs. Allegrine Guez Reid, following thirty-five years of dedicated service as music teacher. Mrs. Reid was appropriately honored at a testimonial dinner by her colleagues, friends, family and former students and received many expressions of appreciation for her dedication to the teaching profession and best wishes for many years of happy, healthy retirement.

Two instructional positions were added this year, one special education position at the Junior-Senior High School, and a Graphic Arts instruction position also at the high school, as well as increases in the amount of time allocated to speech and hearing therapy and Home Economics instruction. a Reduction in student enrollments caused a reduction in the elementary staff by one-half a teacher at the kindergarten level. Other personnel actions taken by the Committee during the year included the abolition of the position of Guidance Director and a creation of the position of Athletic Director, as part of a general reorganization and realignment of responsibilities. Three student teachers were part of the total staff during 1975.

Although 1975 was a difficult year economically, and one which saw efforts in every department to hold the spending line, there are several positive steps in program direction during the year. In the spring a major curriculum review effort was initiated utilizing the entire professional staff and a selected number of release time dates. This review is aimed at identifying major, specific program objectives in each of our program areas, and increasing our efficiency toward the accomplishment of those objectives across the entire K—12 instructional spectrum. One result of this activity will be an increased accountability to the local citizens by its schools. With an eye toward special education and pupil personnel services in general, the guidance department at the Junior-Senior High School was reorganized this year to increase the service contact with students and to remove some of the administrative burden.

A career education program was initiated in the Junior High School this year, aimed at introducing all students in grades 7 and 8 to career opportunities. This program is the first step in the development of a program of career and occupational education in Hopedale High School, which will operate under continuous review and evaluation during the coming years.

Federal grant assistance received under Title I and Title II of ESEA and Title III of NDEA totaled \$29,092, and the School Department will share in the benefits of the \$150,000 Title X project received by the Board of Selectmen. Staff negotiations proceeded smoothly through a rather protracted period, and resulted in a two year contract between the Hopedale School Committee and the Hopedale Teachers' Association. Nineteen seventy-five also saw outstanding performances by both group and individual members of the student body, in civic, extracurricular, music and athletic activities.

The composition of the student body at the Junior-Senior High School was enhanced again this year by the addition of two foreign exchange students. Miss Trine Hanson, resident of Copenhagen, Denmark, and Miss Asa Lilljeqvist, a resident of Stockholm, Sweden, were both in attendance at Hopedale High School for a full year. During their stay in Hopedale, both students were guests of the family of Mr. & Mrs. James Tracy of Daniels Street.

Following an evaluation of the first year of the program, the School Committee concluded that there were distinct advantages both economically and service related to continuing under a contracted relationship for student transportation services. Following the issuing of bids, the Committee awarded a three-year contract for the maintenance and operation of the school buses.

A cooperative program with the Milford Public Schools which was initiated in 1974 was again continued in both special education and occupational education areas. During the course of the year, a total of some 70 students benefited from this cooperative arrangement. Discussions are presently taking place with other communities in the Blackstone Valley and in the Collaborative seeking ways of increasing student opportunities through cooperative programming.

In summary, despite some of the legislative and economic problems that confronted the School Committee and the school administration in 1975, we close the year with feelings of accomplishment in those activities which have been completed and feelings of anticipation toward those activities which have been initiated and with which we will be carrying forward in 1976. The broad support of the people of Hopedale has made it possible to maintain the quality of our existing program and still begin to move into new areas of challenge with confidence. We shall continue to respond by providing a quality educational program that is worthy of that support.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD A. HAYES

Superintendent of Schools

GRADUATION AWARDS

June 7, 1975

AMERICAN LEGION AWARDS (2 - \$25.00 Bonds)

For good citizenship shown in school given by the Walter H. Tillotson Post #267

Boy Stephen Bushnell

Girl Andrea Francis

HOPEDALE POLICE ASSOCIATION AWARDS (2 - \$100.00)

To the senior boy and girl who have shown, while a student in the Hopedale Jr.-Sr. High School, exceptional qualities of character and conduct within the community, making them a credit to their parents, their church and their school.

Boy Daniel D'Alio

Girl Kathleen Rossetti

LLOYD FITZGERALD PLAQUE

To that student exhibiting outstanding accomplishments in athletics and scholarship and the qualities of a gentleman.

Kurt Carlson

F. CARLTON MINER PLAQUE

Given by certain alumni in honor of Carl Miner to that boy who has shown outstanding ability in basketball and exhibited the traits of a gentleman.

Kurt Carlson

F. CARLTON MINER SCHOLARSHIP AWARD (\$200.00)

To that senior boy planning to further his education, who has participated in high school athletics, shown a curiosity in academic work, developed and practiced the attributes of a scholar, sportsman, and true gentleman.

Thomas Liberatore

SACRED HEART WOMEN'S GUILD SCHOLARSHIP (\$200.00)

James Bresciani

HOPEDALE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION AWARDS (5 - 2 \$200.00 - 3 \$150.00)

To those students who exhibited good scholarship and performed service to the school and community.

\$200.00 Thomas Breault

\$200.00 Esther Putnam

\$150.00 Kathie Coe

\$150.00 Cynthia Ronan

\$150.00 Nancy Winslow

MILFORD ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP (\$350.00)
For four-year excellence in scholarship. Melanie Hession

CHARLES J. TASKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (\$450.00)
For that senior who has shown the greatest scholastic improvement and exhibited an outstanding character as well.
Daniel D’Alio

SEWALL M. DRISKO SOCIAL STUDIES AWARD (\$500.00)
Given to that senior boy or girl who intends to further his or her education and exhibits a sincere love of country by the way he or she lives his own life, is dedicated to learning, creativity, the betterment of society, and shows improvement in these areas through his or her high school career and who willingly takes on the responsibilities of good citizenship.
Gordon Lewis

HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Class of 1935 Alumni Award		
Given in memory of Lieutenant Donald Midgley, former President of the Class of 1935		
	\$100.00	Susan Brennan
Class of 1950 Alumni Award		
Given in memory of Sewall M. Drisko		
	\$300.00	Irene Murray
Hopedale High School Alumni Award	\$500.00	Kurt Carlson
Daisy Dutcher Hammond Alumni Award		
	\$500.00	William Dennett
Winburn A. Dennett Alumni Award	\$500.00	Caren Morell
Lucy E. Day Alumni Award	\$500.00	Kathie Coe

CLASS NIGHT AWARDS
June 3, 1975

CLASS OF 1959 FRANCES L. HOLMES AWARD (\$5.00)

For excellence in English

Caren Morell

BAUSCH AND LOMB HONORARY SCIENCE AWARD

In recognition of outstanding academic achievement, good character and superior intellectual promise in the field of science.

Thomas Breault

DISTINGUISHED MUSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE

Presented by the United States Marines Youth Foundation, Inc. and the National Band Association In Recognition of Diligence, Dedication and Musical Excellence as a Performing High School Bandsman and Soloist

Daniel D'Alio

BETTY CROCKER FAMILY LEADER OF TOMORROW AWARD

Melanie Hession

BALFOUR AWARD

For scholarship, loyalty, achievement

Cindy Johnson

WORCESTER TELEGRAM AND GAZETTE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Kathie Coe

THE ROBERT IRVING BRAMHALL MUSIC AWARD (\$30.00)

Given by Mrs. Allegrine Guez Reid to that student who has contributed the most time and effort to the music program in the high school during the past four years.

Daniel D'Alio

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AWARD

To that senior girl outstanding in leadership, dependability, service and patriotism.

Kathleen Rossetti

HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC AWARD (2)

To that student who has contributed the most to his/her performing group through exhibiting qualities of a musician as exemplified by a professional attitude, an overall willingness to extend beyond the required, and is a leader among the members of his/her organization.

Choral

Robert O'Connell

Instrumental

Daniel D'Alio

B'NAI B'RITH HADASSAH AWARD (\$50.00)

To that senior boy or girl who has shown an interest in academic accomplishment, and devoted allegiance to the school.

Carol Elliott

MILFORD OUTDOOR ART FESTIVAL SCHOLARSHIP (\$100.00)

The first annual art scholarship given for outstanding works of art and excellence in art education.

Kathie Coe

**PANAGIAN—OHANESSIAN ARMENIAN—AMERICAN VETERAN'S
AUXILIARY POST AWARD**

Scholarship award of \$100.00 to a deserving son or daughter of the auxiliary.

Debra Derderian

JERI FALCONE AWARD (\$100.00)

To that senior girl exhibiting human love, understanding and compassion for her fellow students.

Pamela Thurston

KENNETH R. MELIN AWARD (\$100.00)

To that senior who has shown consideration for his classmates and concern for his school.

John Tower

HOPEDALE PRO—AM GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHOLARSHIP (\$500.00)

The Hopedale Pro-Am Scholarship of \$500.00 is given by a committee of local golfers in conjunction with the Hopedale Country Club, to a senior member of the Hopedale High School golf team intending to further his or her education, who has a demonstrated record of participation, cooperation and performance on the Hopedale High School Golf Team, who has taken an interest in the activities at the Hopedale Country Club, and who has consistently displayed evidence of good sportsmanship, consideration for others, and good manners — prime requisites of the game of golf.

Michael Hogarth

CLASS OF 1975

Anderberg, Debra Jean	Hogarth, Michael John
†Blatz, Loretta M.	Johnson, Cindy Lee
†Breault, Thomas Lavern	King, Brenda Jean
Brennan, Susan Marie	Labadie, Nancy Anne
Bresciani, James Paul	Larson, Richard R.
Bushnell, Stephen John	†Lewis, Gordon A.
Carlson, Kurt Warren	Liberatore, Thomas J.
Chappell, Susan M.	MacLean, Scott Douglas
Cifizzari, Debra G.	Magowan, Scott C.
†Coe, Kathie Ellen	Manning, William R.
Crowther, Kenneth Joseph	Mantoni, Louis C.
Cyr, Kathleen Patrice	Mattie, Charles Jude
D'Alessandro, Donald M.	McCarthy, Colleen
D'Alio, Daniel James	McCarthy, Kathleen Mary
Davidson, Cheryl Ann	McKnight, Joel Scott
DelMonico, Michael A.	Miller, Linda Ann
DeLorey, Mary Jo	Moran, Dana Franklin
†Demers, Sheryl Ann	†Morell, Caren Lou
†Dennett, William Stewart	Mullen, Palmer E.
Derderian, Debra Jean	†Murray, Irene Brown
†Elliott, Carol Jayne	O'Connell, Robert Michael
Farrar, Patricia Ellen	†Putnam, Esther Louise
Farrer, Thomas E.	†Robbins, Owen Addison
†Francis, Andrea	Ronan, Cynthia Gail
Gala, MaryAnn M.	Rossetti, Kathleen Mary
Giacomuzzi, Paul Jay	Sears, Bonnie Jean
Gould, G. Gregory	Seller, Susan Jean
Gross, Debra Louise	Small, Brian T.
Hansen, Trine Riborg	Strobeck, Cathy Ann
Heath, Elaine Allison	Taylor, Donald L.
Heron, Debra Mae	†Thurston, Pamela Marie
†Hession, Melanie Jane	Tower, John Douglas
Hoffman, Terry Lynn	Winslow, Nancy E.

† National Honor Society

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

I respectfully submit the fifth annual report of the Historical Commission.

In the past year we have lost Mrs. Ann Brown through her resignation; Mrs. Lucille Damon has been appointed to fill this vacancy. Mrs. Winnie Quance is also lost to us through term expiration. This vacancy has not been filled.

The acquisition of "The Little Red Shop" by the summer of 1976 should be consummated through the combined efforts of this board and the Town Selectmen.

The photographic work by Christopher Johnson of the 11th grade, is continuing and by the time of this report will have been shown publicly by Mrs. Leola Stearns.

A file cabinet has been set up in the Town Library with photographs and other material which was previously inaccessible. This and much research work has been accomplished by MaryAnn Andreola who was appointed Archivist Assistant through the C.E.T.A. program. She was assisted during the summer by Debbie Norling.

The members of this board have been busy in the Bicentennial Commission activities, of which we are also members.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD C. WEAVER, Chairman
MARY SCAHILL, Vice-Chairman
ELIZABETH ROSE
ANN HUFF
LEOLA STEARNS
LUCILLE DAMON

LIST OF JURORS – JULY 1, 1975

73 Helen Derderian	8 Inman St.	Assembler
73 Dennis B. Carroll	6 Hammond Rd.	Tech. Assistant
73 Walter M. Dec	55 Mill St.	Territory Manager
73 Helen Ferigno	256 S. Main St.	Housewife
73 Harry D. Anderson	255 S. Main St.	Toolmaker
73 Eleanor M. Allen	65 Freedom St.	Housewife
73 Angelo Cardasso	39 Dutcher St.	Inspector—Retired
73 Rosalynn A. Deloia	79 Greene St.	Inspector
73 Richard A. Iannitelli	11 Dana Park	Accounting Manager
73 Robert E. Barrows	34 Prospect St.	Design Specialist
73 Rita M. Fruit	3 Beech St.	Housewife
73 Jamie Wagman	5 Overdale Parkway	Assembler
74 Eugene S. Lipsky	7 Lake St.	Textile Engineer
74 Edward L. MacDonald	16 Inman St.	Eng. Cost Estimator
74 James R. McCallum	8 Soward St.	Scheduler-Expediter
74 Mary A. Luce	18 Bancroft Park	Office Clerk
74 Rita M. Martin	14 Cemetery St.	Meat Clerk
75 Frederick W. Olson	274 S. Main St.	Purchasing Agent
75 Irene R. Payton	10½ Mellen St.	Housewife
75 Alexander J. Oneschuk	28 Progress St.	Timekeeping Foreman
75 Virginia I. Potty	81 Mill St.	Hairdresser
75 Robert A. Pellegrino	138 Hopedale St.	Order-writer
75 John A. Neal	157 Mill St.	Foreman
75 Frederick C. Otten, Jr.	68 Greene St.	Security Guard
75 Richard J. Palanzi	15 Plain St.	Controller
75 Roland E. Nelson	126 Freedom St.	Shipper
75 Mary L. Rei	33 Driftway	Legal Secretary
75 Hagop Papelian	6 Inman St.	Salesman
75 Helen R. Paige	Dennett Apartments	Assembler—Retired
75 Katherine R. Noe	117 Dutcher St.	Hat Trimmer—Retired
75 Doris J. Redden	21 Bancroft Park	Machine Operator
75 John D. Gannett	66 Adin St.	Pur. Director—Retired
75 William A. Sainio	215 Dutcher St.	Order Planner—Retired
75 Rodney J. Novack	70 Bancroft Park	Carpenter
75 Howard E. Whitney	86 Dutcher St.	PT.Asst.Mgr.—Retired
75 Otis W. Rose	210 Dutcher St.	Garage Foreman—Retired
75 Elliott J. Paturzo	56 Bancroft Park	Land Surveyor
75 Arthur H. Allen	33 Dutcher St.	Electrical Engineer
75 Edward H. Horton	6 Dennett St.	Engineer

**REPORT OF THE HOPEDALE MEMBER
OF THE
WORCESTER COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD**

for the Year Ended December 31, 1975

In accordance with Chapter 1166 of the Acts of 1973 and amended by Chapter 179 of the Acts of 1974, M.G.L., the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen designated Selectman Richard T. Moore to represent Hopedale on this Board which serves as a budget review agency for the County. Since the county budgets are financed through assessments on the cities and towns of each county and, thereby, funded by the property tax, local oversight of the county budgeting process can increase local understanding of county finances and may help to hold the line on property tax increases.

Several meetings were held with the County Commissioners to review the proposed Worcester County Budget for Fiscal Year 1976. It was the unanimous opinion of the Advisory Board that the Commissioners and various departments had produced a tight budget and the Advisory Board supported the budget as submitted by the Commissioners.

During August, the Worcester Telegram released a study of administrative problems in county government. These were reviewed with the Commissioners and corrective action was taken.

Your delegate from Hopedale serves as the Chairman of the Advisory Board. This position also includes participation on the Board's Budget Committee meeting with the county departments to review budget requests.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD T. MOORE, Member
Worcester County Advisory Board

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STUDY COMMITTEE

At this year's Annual Town Meeting our committee reported that every effort would be made to complete the study and report our findings to the voters at the 1976 Town Meeting.

During the past year we formulated a questionnaire to assist in the collection of pertinent data from towns presently operating a department of public works. While each town was found to have some variations to establishment and structure, the information did provide a comparative overview for the committee. Those towns similar in population, road mileage, equipment, operating budget and personnel were contacted for a meeting between their commission and our committee. To date, we have found these meetings to be of immense value.

We are continuing to establish similar meetings with larger departments to view their operations and structure. It is our hope that collectively all these towns will provide the necessary pros and cons to permit a total evaluation and subsequent correlation.

This committee is most appreciative to the Town's summer intern, Robert Burke, for collecting and condensing the data from our questionnaire. We are also grateful to the Board of Selectmen for allowing us the use of clerical assistance during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDUOARD J. ROULEAU, Chairman
RAYMOND ANDREOTTI
EDWARD MALLOY
DUINO RUSCITTI
BERNARD STOCK

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

With the cooperation and extensive extra hours of work of Mrs. Virginia Cyr of the Town Clerk's office, 168 delinquent dog owners were listed.

Notices were hand delivered to these people by me, resulting in the issuance of 505 dog licenses for 1975, one of the highest number of licenses issued in any 12 month period.

Two residents were taken to court for failure to comply with the notices given them. They did then obtain licenses for their animals.

From the time of my appointment on June 20, 1975 through December 31, 1975 I responded to 43 dog complaints and attended one dog hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN F. PHILLIPS
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

1975 was a year during which the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission expanded its activities and its programs in a very substantial manner. Biggest of these changes was the commencement in June of a two-year waste-water management program for 27 of the 40 communities in Central Massachusetts. This program is examining a multitude of water-related topics leading to the development of an attainable waste treatment management plan.

To coordinate the rapid growth of CMRPC activities and increase in the technical staff, new Commission By-Laws and Personnel Regulations were adopted, and even more important the CMRPC formed a 13 member Executive Committee. Seven of the staff received title changes and revised assignments. An additional office was rented. However, the basic assessment rate for the member municipalities remained the same for the 1975-76 fiscal year at 13 cents per capita.

At the same time the Commission continued its other activities and added at least one significant one. The local technical assistance program provided professional planning advice to some 14 municipalities, including Westboro, Webster, Millville, and West Boylston. There were three types of transportation planning related programs underway. The "3C" transportation planning project primarily dealing with highways with the Department of Public Works was completed, while a mass transit planning program with the Urban Mass. Transportation Administration was undertaken throughout the year. At the same time the Commission's technical staff continued to provide transit planning consultation to the Worcester Regional Transit Authority. Regional transportation project priorities and a schematic transportation plan were adopted. Unfortunately, commencing in April a dispute arose with the Executive Office of Transportation and Construction over the designation of a metropolitan transportation planning organization (MPO) for this region which was proposed to be made up of at least half state agencies, and this disagreement was threatening transportation related funding for all types of activities by the end of the year.

Lastly, but also importantly, the CMRPC continued its joint support of the Overall Economic Development Program Committee with the Worcester Area Chamber of Commerce and Central Massachusetts Office of Planning and Community Development.

In addition, the Commission began a series of economic development studies of the metropolitan area as the result of a “pass through” from the City of Worcester.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT BARROWS
PHILIP MALLARD
Hopedale Delegates

APPRAISEMENT OF TOWN PROPERTY

December 31, 1975

Town House	\$147,000.00
Town House Lot	4,400.00
Town House Stone Fixtures	500.00
Town House, Furniture & Fixtures	3,500.00
Town House, Office Furniture & Equipment	25,500.00
Town House, Water Department	2,200.00
Ward House, Adin Street	20,000.00

LIBRARY

Bancroft Memorial Library (Building)	89,000.00
Public Library (Books & Fixtures)	175,000.00
Mrs. Susan Preston Draper Fountain	10,000.00
Library Lot	4,000.00

TREE WARDEN

Small Tools and Materials	100.00
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WATER

Mains, Hydrants, Etc.	162,000.00
Standpipe	50,000.00
Pumping Station Building No. 1	9,000.00
Pumping Station Building No. 2	4,000.00
Wells and Suction Connections	27,000.00
Land	12,000.00
Machinery and Equipment	43,000.00
1969 GMC Pick-up Truck	2,049.00
Small Tools	2,500.00
Compressor, Purchased 1972	2,800.00
Supplies	5,500.00
Storage Building	5,500.00

POLICE

1974 Plymouth Cruiser, Purchased 1974	3,500.00
1975 Buick Cruiser, Purchased 1975	3,500.00
Equipment	6,050.00

FIRE

Fire Station	\$122,000.00
Fire Station Lot	2,000.00
Equipment and Furniture	40,000.00

APPARATUS

1947 American LaFrance 1000 Gal. Pumper, Purchased 1947	10,000.00
1961 International 750 Gal. Pumper, Purchased 1961	17,500.00
1968 Maxim 1000 Gal. Pumper, Purchased 1969	27,000.00
1968 Chevrolet Station Wagon, Purchased 1968	2,300.00
1953 GMC Tank Truck, Purchased 1968	1.00
Purchased from Hopedale Coal & Ice Co.	
Worth \$1000 after repairs	
1973 Maxim Ladder Truck, Purchased 1973	62,000.00
1966 International Rescue	150.00
1958 Ford Fire Alarm Truck	1.00
Worth \$500 after repairs	

PARK

Band Stand, Including Tools	3,500.00
Comfort Station	1,500.00
Bath House	6,000.00
Land, 306 Acres	22,300.00
Playground Equipment	4,000.00
Dump Truck, Purchased 1968	4,000.00
International Tractor, Purchased 1966	1,500.00
Dodge Pick-up	500.00
Park Garage	1,500.00
Land, 21 Acres	15,000.00
Tool House	1,500.00
Mower	150.00

SCHOOL

School House, Dutcher Street School	200,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	15,000.00
School House Lot, 1 Acre	10,000.00
School House, Park Street School	150,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	10,000.00
School House Lot, Park Street	12,500.00
General Draper High School Building, Adin St.	2,000,000.00

SCHOOL (cont.)

Furniture and Fixtures	\$100,000.00
General Draper School Lots (2) Adin St.	20,000.00
Memorial Elementary School, Adin Street	600,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	50,000.00
Memorial Elementary School Lots, Adin St., 10A	20,000.00
1970 Dodge Bus, Purchased 1970	7,500.00
1973 Ford Bus, Purchased 1972	8,000.00
1974 General Motors Corp. Bus, Purchased 1973	8,475.00
1975 International Harvester Bus, Purchased 1974	12,745.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

1967 GMC Dump Truck (HM620V0540IG)	1,000.00
1971 International Harvester Dump Truck (14330E164171)	1,500.00
1970 Bombardier Sidewalk Tractor (JW707028TN)	3,000.00
1973 Elgin Street Sweeper	12,000.00
1963 Sidewalk Tractor Divco (800407111CK3753528)	500.00
1968 Michigan Tractor (88G116)	6,500.00
1950 Leaf Blower (Good Roads) (5121)	250.00
1969 GMC Dump Truck (Em60VC099216)	1,500.00
9 Snow Plows	5,000.00
3 GMC Military Vehicles with Sanders	3,300.00
1959 Sicard Snow Blower (5307195)	1,000.00
1972 International Dump Truck	11,500.00
1960 Dodge Dump Truck (Air Force vehicle)	500.00
Buildings and Land	30,000.00
Small Tools and Equipment	2,500.00
1974 GMC Pick-up	3,000.00
1959 Reo Compressor	1,000.00
1964 Dodge Six-Man Cab	300.00
1964 Plymouth	100.00
1973 Dodge Catch Basin	13,000.00
1962 Sidewalk Spreader	100.00
Buildings and Land	30,000.00
Small Tools and Equipment	3,500.00
Vehicle Storage Garage	40,000.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1975

Levy	Jan. 1, 1975 Balance	Committed	Refunds	Collected	Abatement	Balance 12/31/75
1958-61 Real Estate	351.63			183.84		167.79
1962 Personal Property Motor Vehicle	65.63 164.02				65.63	164.02
1963 Personal Property Motor Vehicle Real Estate	767.63 648.82 59.34			59.34	767.63	648.82
1964 Personal Property Motor Vehicle Real Estate	274.50 870.07 66.31			66.31	274.50	870.07
1965 Personal Property Motor Vehicle Real Estate	257.55 1,330.22 51.68			51.68	257.55	1,330.22
1966 Personal Property Motor Vehicle Real Estate	79.64 365.18 280.17				79.64	365.18 280.17

Levy	Jan. 1, 1975 Balance	Committed	Refunds	Collected	Abatement	Balance 12/31/75
1967						
Personal Property	14.00				14.00	
Motor Vehicle	620.29					620.29
Real Estate	9.10			9.10		
1968						
Personal Property	2.13			2.13		557.59
Motor Vehicle	557.59					1,191.28
Real Estate	1,191.28					
1969						
Personal Property	12.90				12.90	911.42
Motor Vehicle	911.42					285.18
Real Estate	285.18					
1970						
Motor Vehicle	2,275.43			36.58		2,238.85
Real Estate	1,797.48			1,262.56		534.92
1971						
Personal Property	57.50					57.50
Motor Vehicle	3,525.58					3,525.58
Real Estate	2,359.25			566.78		1,792.47
1972						
Motor Vehicle	5,628.21			1,166.28	2.48	4,459.45
Real Estate	4,966.50			4,070.34		896.16
Sewer Assessment	20.00			20.00		

Levy	Jan. 1, 1975 Balance	Committed	Refunds	Collected	Abatement	Balance 12/31/75
1973						
Personal Property	53.12			53.12		
Motor Vehicle	22,372.46		37.90	20,936.88	1,001.63	8,438.07
Real Estate	12,880.41	7,966.22		6,917.78		5,962.63
Water Lien	443.30					443.30
1974						
Personal Property	227.70			227.70		
Motor Vehicle	59,206.93	17,558.29	1,399.55	65,738.83	5,536.24	6,889.70
Real Estate	11,681.00			6,511.47		5,169.53
1975						
Personal Property	22,002.64			21,969.44		33.20
Motor Vehicle		*151,783.27	1,657.83	114,919.51	9,144.27	29,377.32
Real Estate	760,046.71		186.39	743,786.60		16,446.50
Sewer Assessment	60.00		5.00	65.00		
1976 Fiscal						
Personal Property		*50,133.51		25,006.21	3.15	25,124.15
Real Estate		*1,485,760.50	634.96	701,995.43	45,132.79	739,267.24
Sewer Assessment		660.00		560.00		100.00
Certificate of Lien		120.00		120.00		
	918,840.50	1,713,981.79	3,921.63	1,716,302.91	62,292.41	858,148.60
		Interest Collected		2,621.52		
				1,718,924.43		

*Committed	10,380.62	1975 Excise Tax on 12/10/75 – not due until 2/10/76
*Committed	1,970.01	1975 Excise Tax on 12/24/75 – not due until 2/24/76
*Committed	25,124.15	1976 Personal Property – not due until 5/1/76
*Committed	739,267.24	1976 Real Estate – not due until 5/1/76

TOWN OF HOPEDALE BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 1975

ASSETS

Cash		
General	123,569.31	
Imprest Funds	<u>220.00</u>	123,789.31
Federal Revenue Sharing		<u>9,141.25</u>
Accounts Receivable:		
Real Estate - Levy 1975	51,422.52	
Real Estate - Levy 1974	6,837.70	
Real Estate - Levy 1973	9,153.67	
Real Estate - Levy 1972	896.17	
Real Estate - Levy 1971	2,184.05	
Real Estate - Levy 1970	1,533.84	
Real Estate - Levy 1969	285.18	
Real Estate - Levy 1968	1,191.28	
Real Estate - Levy 1967	9.10	
Real Estate - Levy 1966	280.17	
Real Estate - Levy 1965	51.68	
Real Estate - Levy 1964	66.31	
Real Estate - Levy 1963	59.34	
Real Estate - Levy 1961	196.35	
Real Estate - Levy 1960	6.55	
Real Estate - Levy 1958	<u>148.73</u>	74,322.64
Personal Property - 1975	491.36	
Personal Property - 1974	29.70	
Personal Property - 1973	53.12	
Personal Property - 1971	57.50	
Personal Property - 1969	12.90	
Personal Property - 1968	2.13	
Personal Property - 1967	14.00	
Personal Property - 1966	79.64	
Personal Property - 1965	257.55	
Personal Property - 1964	274.50	
Personal Property - 1963	767.63	
Personal Property - 1962	<u>65.63</u>	2,105.66
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1975	24,050.42	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1974	16,922.51	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1973	13,473.73	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1972	5,619.96	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1971	3,525.58	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1970	2,238.85	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1969	911.42	

Motor Vehicle Excise - 1968	547.59	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1967	620.29	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1966	365.18	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1965	1,330.22	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1964	870.07	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1963	648.82	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1962	<u>164.02</u>	71,288.66
Sewer Assessment - 1974	15.00	
Sewer Assessment - 1969	<u>10.00</u>	25.00
Tax Titles	184.91	184.91
Departmental:		
Town Hall	540.00	
School Department	712.00	
Highway	159.50	
Veterans Benefits-Commonwealth of Mass.	<u>5,587.70</u>	6,999.20
Water Department:		
Rates	11,923.98	
Services	120.53	
Liens	<u>194.85</u>	12,239.36
Revenue and Available Funds - 1976:		
Revenue 1976 (less appropriations for available funds)	2,206,424.00	
Revenue Sharing - Police Dept. 1976	92,550.00	
Revenue Sharing - Weed Control 1976	5,000.00	
Revenue Sharing - Gas Storage Tank 1976	2,500.00	
Excess & Deficiency	44,544.00	
Isabella Chase Fund	5,000.00	
Overlay Surplus	<u>34,901.00</u>	2,390,919.00
Highway Chapter 90 Construction:		
State	4,126.87	
County	<u>2,063.44</u>	6,190.31
Highway Chapter 90 Maintenance:		
State	400.00	
County	<u>400.00</u>	800.00
Unprovided for or overdrawn accounts:		
1975 Retirement System	21,802.01	
1975 Mosquito Control	713.30	
1971 Overlay	161.00	
Special Police (Reimbursement)	1,232.00	
County Retirement	171.71	
Federal Withholding Tax	<u>132.00</u>	24,212.02
Temporary Investment		<u>257,000.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u><u>2,979,217.32</u></u>

LIABILITIES

Overestimates 1974-1975:		
County Tax	13,422.01	
State Recreation Areas	182.56	
Central Mass. Air Pollution Control	<u>82.30</u>	13,686.87
Tailings		38.35
County Reimbursement:		
Town Clerk Dog Licenses		280.05
County Refund:		
Dog Tax		927.02
Employees Payroll Deductions:		
Group Insurance Employees Deductions	5,624.53	
Group Insurance Retired	<u>307.27</u>	5,931.80
Trust Fund Income:		
Hopedale Village Cemetery	130.19	
Town Cemetery Fund	113.94	
Charitable Trust	1,729.15	
Library Trust	<u>4,825.85</u>	6,799.13
Sale of Cemetery Lots		225.00
Federal Grants:		
Title II	77.69	
Title III NDEA	4,788.56	
P.L. 90 (Word Processing)	5.26	
P.L. 90 (Graphic Arts)	28.19	
Vocational Education	<u>27.00</u>	4,926.70
Revolving Funds:		
School Lunch Fund	2,463.07	
School Athletic Fund	1,210.19	
Civil Defense	308.40	
Mosquito Control	2,972.10	
Conservation Commission	78.66	
Revenue Sharing	9,148.89	
Bi Centennial Commission	<u>155.52</u>	16,336.83
Appropriation Balances:		
Highway Chapter 90 Construction	271.20	
Highway Chapter 1140-Section 20	3,377.00	
Street Light Improvement	2,253.65	
Bi-Centennial Commission	264.37	
Hopedale Pond Study	2,100.00	
Lighting & Reconstruction of Parks	8,631.85	
Municipal Garage	3,305.16	
Reserve for Self-Insurance	<u>6,175.99</u>	26,379.22

Appropriation Control 1976:		2,390,919.00
Non Revenue Loan Balances:		
Hope Street Bridge	6,655.90	
School Construction — High School	3,660.64	
School Construction — Memorial	<u>4,949.16</u>	15,265.70
Reserve:		
Overlay Surplus		9,521.05
Revenue Reserved until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	71,288.66	
Special Assessment	25.00	
Departmental Revenue	6,999.20	
Water Revenue	12,239.36	
Aid to Highway	5,789.37	
Tax Title Revenue	<u>184.91</u>	96,526.50
Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy 1975	17,522.32	
Levy 1974	10,287.64	
Levy 1973	21,330.88	
Levy 1972	7,790.59	
Levy 1970	2,243.59	
Levy 1969	1,757.93	
Levy 1968	1,318.36	
Levy 1967	126.00	
Levy 1965	392.02	
Levy 1964	155.98	
Levy 1963	140.76	
Levy 1962	5.63	
Levy 1961	196.35	
Levy 1960	6.55	
Levy 1958	<u>148.73</u>	63,423.33
Revenue Reserved for Petty Cash:		220.00
Surplus Revenue:		<u>327,810.77</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u><u>2,979,217.32</u></u>

EXPENDITURES

SALARIES ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Selectmen	1,950.00
Assessors	2,750.00
Moderator	125.00
Town Clerk	1,750.00
Tax Collector	1,750.00
Treasurer	1,250.00
Tree Warden	350.00
Board of Health	850.00
Road Commissioners	850.00
Park Commissioners	500.00
	12,125.00

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

General Administrative

1001	Salaries & Wages	25,865.78
1001-1	Salaries & Wages Overtime	30.43
1002	Travel Expense	75.00
1003	Office Supplies	3,715.79
1003-1	Computer Supplies, Programs	2,411.97
1004	Equipment	717.00
1005	Utilities	1,955.94
1010	Revenue Sharing Reports	104.20
1013	Contractual Services	2,695.53
		37,571.64

Selectmen

1101	Salary (Clerk)	300.00
1102	Travel Expense	552.47
1103	Office Supplies	1,369.34
1104	Equipment	102.85
1105	Town Reports	1,547.50
		3,872.16

Surplus Property

1110	Surplus Property	1,271.10
1112	Travel Expense	221.84
		1,492.94

Assessors

1131	Salaries & Wages	670.89
1132	Travel Expense	193.45
1133	Office Supplies	780.15
1134	Abstracts	109.60
1135	Appraisal Services	125.00
1136	Office Furniture & Fixtures	359.76
		2,238.85

Elections			
1151	Salaries & Wages	1,835.61	
1153	Office Supplies	<u>1,025.56</u>	
		2,861.17	
Registration			
1161	Salaries & Wages	1,194.64	
1162	Travel Expense	<u>982.24</u>	
		2,176.88	
Finance Committee			
1172	Travel	--	
1173	Office Supplies & Dues	45.00	
1179	Committee Reports	<u>275.00</u>	
		320.00	
Zoning Board of Appeals			
1185	Notice Fees	<u>235.20</u>	
Town Clerk			
1201	Salary	840.00	
1202	Travel Expense	299.81	
1203	Office Supplies	<u>416.47</u>	
		1,556.28	
Tax Collector			
1302	Travel Expense	166.80	
1303	Office Supplies	<u>343.40</u>	
		510.20	
Inspection			
1471	Dog Officer Salary	654.94	
1472	Travel Expense		
1473	Equipment		
1474	Inspector of Animals	35.00	
1475	Zoning Inspector Salary	250.00	
1476	Wiring Inspector	333.00	
1477	Assistant Wiring Inspector		
1491	Building Commissioner Salary	353.80	
1491-1	Building Inspector Salary	50.00	
1492	Travel Expense		
1493	Dues, Forms & Supplies		
1494	Building Inspector Fees	<u></u>	
		1,676.74	
Industrial Development Commission			
1496	Salaries		
1497	Office Supplies		
1498	Travel		
1499	Advertising		

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

1501	Salary	<u>1,250.00</u>
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Town Accountant

1502	Travel Expense	
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1503	Dues & Subscriptions	<u>20.00</u>
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TOWN COUNSEL

1551	Salary	<u>1,500.00</u>
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Town Counsel

1552	Legal Fees	1,000.00
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1553	Member Fees & Association	<u> </u>
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Treasurer

1601	Salary Clerk	165.00
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1602	Travel Expense	51.60
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1603	Office Supplies	956.54
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1604	Bond Costs	<u>34.00</u>
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		1,207.14
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PLANNING BOARD

1700	Central Mass Regional Planning District	<u>535.60</u>
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Planning Board

1703	Office Supplies	<u>354.60</u>
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TOWN HALL

1801	Salaries	1,750.00
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1803	Repairs & Maintenance	5,072.51
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1804	Supplies & Equipment	545.44
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1805	Contractual Services	576.00
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1806	Utilities	<u>2,240.74</u>
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		10,184.69
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GENERAL GOVERNMENT TOTAL

		70,564.09
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PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department

2001	Salaries & Wages	54,550.39
2001-1	Salaries & Wages, Extra Duty, Holiday, Overtime	19,417.85
2001-2*	Special Duty (Reimbursable)	*13,526.00
2002	Travel Expense	396.34
2003	Office Supplies	3,554.07
2004	Telephone	817.70
2005	Supplies & Equipment	2,804.77
2006	Cruiser Repair & Maintenance	1,230.13
2007	Gas & Oil	3,437.06
2008	New Uniforms	2,074.45
2010	Training School	53.30
2040	New Cruiser	<u>3,491.53</u>
		91,827.59

Fire Department

2101	Salaries & Wages	89,307.75
2101-1	Salaries & Wages, Extra Duty, Holiday, Overtime	23,986.02
2102	Travel Expense	91.75
2103	Office Supplies	510.46
2104	Apparatus Supplies & Equipment	2,423.54
2105	Apparatus Repairs & Maintenance	3,549.41
2106	Gas & Oil	1,177.20
2107	Utilities	2,502.52
2108	Supplies Buildings & Grounds	736.18
2109	Repairs & Maintenance Buildings & Grounds	1,796.51
2110	Hydrants	2,369.00
2113	Fire Alarm System	764.49
2114	Uniforms	580.66
2115	Hose	1,143.28
2150	New Equipment	1,642.52
2151	Plectrons	<u>4,797.00</u>
		137,378.29
2152	Paint Exterior Fire Station	<u>868.00</u>

Civil Defense

2201	Salaries & Wages	100.00
2202	Travel Expense	43.70
2203	Office Supplies	23.68
2204	Utilities	228.82
2205	Supplies	78.42
2250	Base Radio Maintenance	<u>393.60</u>
		868.22

Tree Warden		
2302	Travel Expense	
2303	Office Supplies	15.99
2305	Contractual Services	<u>1,971.45</u>
		1,987.44
Dutch Elm Disease		
2400	Contractual Services	<u>2,370.88</u>
Insect Pest Control		
2410	Supplies & Materials	
2412	Travel Expense	20.52
2413	Contractual Services	<u>950.40</u>
		970.92
TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY		236,271.34
BOARD OF HEALTH & SANITATION		
Health		
2501	Sanitation Officer	500.00
2501-1	Clerk Salary	175.00
2502	Travel Expense	233.34
2503	Office Supplies	357.68
2506	Health Doctor	200.00
2507	Public Clinic	64.20
2508	District Nursing Association	1,460.00
2509	Printing	122.10
2510	Plumbing Inspector	1,200.00
2514	Valley Adult Counselling Service	<u>742.00</u>
		5,054.32
Mosquito Control		<u>1,121.00</u>
Collection of Garbage		<u>25,299.96</u>
Sewer Commission		
2801	Salaries	
2804	Contracted Services	330.00
2805	Repairs & Maintenance	29.01
2806	Travel	
2807	Office Supplies	
2808	Milford Sewer Connections	<u></u>
		359.01

Elementary Principal

2200 11 1	Principal's Salary	21,961.06
2200 11 2	Secretary's Salary	6,633.00
2200 11 5	Office Supplies	93.42
2200 11 6	Dues & Conferences	213.04
2200 11 6.1	In State Travel	148.26
2200 11 6.2	Out of State Travel	
		29,048.78

High School Principal

2200 31 1	Principal's Salary	21,961.06
2200 31 1.1	Asst. Principal's Salary	20,391.82
2200 31 2	Secretaries' Salaries	13,917.18
2200 31 4	Contracted Services	4,692.63
2200 31 5	Supplies	1,822.15
2200 31 6	Dues & Conferences	534.00
2200 31 6.1	In State Travel	141.92
2200 31 6.2	Out of State Travel	376.80
		63,837.56

Teaching Elementary

2300 11 1	Professional Salaries	351,715.38
2300 11 2	Teacher Aides	
2300 11 4	Contracted Services	450.00
2300 11 5	Supplies	10,344.78
2300 11 6	Travel Conferences In State	264.63
2300 11 6.2	Out of State Travel	
		362,774.79

Teaching Special Education

2300 12 1	Professional Salaries	22,546.99
2300 12 2	Secretary Salary	
2300 12 4	Contracted Services	
2300 12 5	Supplies	455.93
2300 12 6	Travel & Conferences	123.23
		23,126.15

Teaching High School

2300 31 1	Professional Salaries	440,408.06
2300 31 3	Teacher Aides	14,215.75
2300 31 5	Supplies	384.51
2300 31 6	Travel, Conferences In State	7.00
2300 31 6.2	Out of State Travel	-0-
		455,015.32

Textbooks Elementary

2400 11 5	Supplies	4,064.55
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HIGHWAYS

3001	Salaries & Wages	71,328.98
3001-1	Salaries & Wages Overtime	5,024.01
3002	Travel Expense	384.93
3003	Garage Expense	3,640.06
*3003.1	Garage Expense	1,122.43
3004	Repairs	596.83
*3004.1	Repairs	918.21
3005	Garage Equipment	746.97
3006	Tools & Street Supplies	459.56
*3007.1	Reconstruction Maintenance of Public Highways	18,595.09
3008	Miscellaneous Maintenance Cross Walks, Guards	528.54
*3008.1	Miscellaneous Maintenance Cross Walks, Guards	80.50
3009	Gas, Oil, Chains	6,556.98
*3009.1	Gas, Oil, Chains	2,512.00
3015	Bridges	
*3015.1	Bridges	6.60
3016	Sidewalks Materials	
*3016.1	Sidewalks Materials	1,937.11
3017	Sidewalks Contracted Services	
*3017.1	Sidewalks Contracted Services	2,110.02
3018	Catch Basins & Drains	
*3018.1	Catch Basins & Drains	2,290.90
3019	Catch Basins Contracted Services	
*3019.1	Catch Basins Contracted Services	977.80
3025	Snow Removal including Salt & Sand	2,932.68
*3025.1	Snow Removal including Salt & Sand	6,931.71
3026	Snow Removal Contracted Services	168.00
*3026.1	Snow Removal Contracted Services	1,962.11
3027	Tree Belt & Mow Brush Materials	
3028	Tree Belt & Mow Brush Contracted Services	
*3028.1	Tree Belt & Mow Brush Contracted Services	557.21
3029	Street Cleaning	
*3029.1	Street Cleaning	261.03
3034	Maintenance of Equipment	9,282.47
3035	Uniforms & Cleaning	1,036.25
3036	Traffic Regulations & Street Signs	274.76
*3036.1	Traffic Regulations & Street Signs	780.43
		102,961.02
		* 41,043.15
	Chapter 90 Maintenance	
		800.00
	Chapter 90 Reconstruction	
		16,026.40
	Reconstruction Hopedale & Freedom Sts.	
	Chapter 825	
		23,244.00
	Front End Loader	
		4,057.00
	Chapter 825 Construction	
		17,686.00

*Chapter 1140 State Allocated Funds for Highway Department Use

STREET LIGHTING

3900	Street Lights	17,000.00
3905	Street Light Improvements	<u>1,721.15</u>
		18,721.15

COUNCIL ON AGING

4201	Salaries & Wages	5,826.53
4004	Special Projects	465.51
4005	Recreation	2,802.12
4006	Utilities	310.96
4007	Supplies	149.70
4008	Equipment	<u>48.02</u>
		9,602.84

VETERANS BENEFITS

4201	Salary	1,600.00
4205	Medical	1,471.07
4207	Allowances	<u>14,996.99</u>
		18,068.06

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

4102	Travel Expense	
4103	Dues	10.00
4104	Supplies	37.94
4106	Special Projects	<u>227.88</u>
		275.82

BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

1,030.11

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

School Committee

1100 00 4	Contracted Services	1,997.40
1100 00 5	Supplies	208.79
1100 00 6	Dues & Conferences	801.50
1100 00 6.1	In State Travel	266.50
1100 00 6.2	Out of State Travel	<u></u>
		3,274.19

Superintendent's Office

1200 00 1	Superintendent's Salary	25,459.45
1200 00 2	Secretary's Salary	9,343.99
1200 00 5	Supplies	1,090.23
1200 00 6	Dues & Conferences	301.55
1200 00 6.1	In State Travel	195.59
1200 00 6.2	Out of State Travel	<u>200.00</u>
		36,590.81

Textbooks Special Education			
2400 12 4	Contracted Service		
2400 12 5	Supplies		<u>252.39</u>
Textbooks High School			
2400 31 4	Contracted Services		337.90
2400 31 5	Supplies		<u>9,926.90</u>
			10,264.80
Library Elementary			
2500 11 5	Supplies		<u>2,129.47</u>
Library High School			
2500 31 1	Professional Salary		13,643.00
2500 31 4	Contracted Services		170.75
2500 31 5	Supplies		3,506.39
2500 31 6	Travel & Conferences		5.00
2500 31 6.2	Out of State Travel		<u>17,325.14</u>
Audio Visual Elementary			
2600 11 5	Supplies		<u>711.10</u>
Audio Visual High School			
2600 31 5	Supplies		<u>995.66</u>
Guidance Services Elementary			
2710 11 1	Professional Salary		13,363.14
2710 11 5	Supplies		
2710 11 6	Travel & Conferences		<u>152.83</u>
			13,515.97
Guidance Services High School			
2710 31 1	Guidance Director		18,844.52
2710 31 1.1	Guidance Counselor		<u>10,176.94</u>
			29,021.46
Guidance Services High School			
2710 31 2	Secretary's Salary		7,617.54
2710 31 5	Supplies		1,707.00
2710 31 6	Dues & Conferences		85.00
2710 31 6.1	Travel		<u>413.12</u>
			9,822.66

Psychological Services

2800 12 4	Contracted Services	
2800 12 5	Supplies & Services	3,138.59
2800 12 6	Travel & Conferences	

Health Services

3200 00 3	Nurse's Salary	7,718.85
3200 00 4	Contracted Services	
3200 00 5	Supplies	240.13
3200 00 9	School Physicians	3,000.00
		10,958.98

Transportation

3310 00 3	Salaries	148.50
3310 00 4	Contracted Regular	16,061.69
3310 00 4.1	Special Education	11,172.69
3310 00 4.2	Athletics	1,655.25
3310 00 4.3	Field Trips	2,240.00
3310 00 4.4	Other	
3310 00 5	Supplies	2,567.78
		33,845.91

Replacement of School Bus

3330 00 8

Food Services

3400 00 3	Salaries	6,105.13

Athletics

3510 00 3	Salaries (Drivers)	
3510 00 4	Contracted Services	5,148.96
3510 00 5	Supplies	3,928.52
3510 00 6	Conferences & Travel	341.00
		9,418.48

Student Body Activities

3520 00 4	Contracted Services
3520 00 5	Supplies

Custodial Services Elementary

4110 11 3	Salaries	25,288.85
4110 11 4	Contracted Services	702.00
4110 11 5	Supplies	2,716.54
		28,707.39

Custodial Services High School		
4110 31 3	Salaries	26,332.44
4110 31 4	Contracted Services	762.00
4110 31 5	Supplies	<u>2,477.78</u>
		29,572.22
Heating Elementary		
4120 11 4	Contracted Services	2,113.00
4120 11 5	Supplies	<u>16,452.74</u>
		18,565.74
Heating High School		
4120 31 4	Contracted Services	354.00
4120 31 5	Supplies	<u>18,041.46</u>
		18,395.46
Utility Services Elementary		
4130 11 4	Contracted Services	<u>7,137.80</u>
Utility Services High School		
4130 31 4	Contracted Services	<u>15,474.97</u>
Maintenance of Buildings Elementary		
4220 11 4	Contracted Services	7,417.50
4220 11 5	Supplies	<u>297.51</u>
		7,715.01
Maintenance of Buildings High School		
4220 31 4	Contracted Services	8,512.86
4220 31 5	Supplies	<u>2,160.44</u>
		10,673.30
Maintenance of Equipment Elementary		
4230 11 4	Contracted Services	1,956.06
4230 11 5	Supplies	<u>115.69</u>
Maintenance of Equipment High School		
4230 31 4	Contracted Services	3,038.57
4230 31 5	Supplies	<u>36.22</u>
		3,074.79
Replacement of Equipment Elementary		
4240 11 5	Supplies	<u>1,835.68</u>
Replacement of Equipment High School		
4240 31 5	Supplies	<u>4,157.02</u>

Acquisition & Improvement of Buildings		
7200 00 5	Services & Supplies	<u>7,768.90</u>
Acquisition of New Equipment Elementary		
7300 11 5	Supplies	<u>2,912.86</u>
Acquisition of Equipment Special		
7300 12 5	Supplies	<u>25.08</u>
Acquisition of New Equipment High School		
7300 31 5	Supplies	<u>13,049.71</u>
Programs With Other Districts		
9100 43 9	Tuition	<u>3,300.15</u>
Programs With Other Districts		
9100 43 9.1	Transportation	<u>2,014.88</u>
TOTAL SCHOOL DEPARTMENT		1,301,690.60
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT		
Federal Funds	Title I	11,588.21
	Title II	1,486.00
	School Lunch	70,553.77
	Athletics	2,063.67
	Public Law 90-576 Vocational Graphic Arts	8,971.81
	Public Law 90-576 Vocational Word Processing	11,281.88
	National Defense Education	<u>1,773.56</u>
		107,718.90
LIBRARY		
5001	Salaries & Wages	18,270.04
5003	Supplies	706.70
5004	Books, Periodicals, Subscriptions	4,889.17
5005	Binding	174.68
5006	Repair & Maintenance	1,044.34
5007	Utilities	1,187.19
5008	New Equipment	<u>319.95</u>
TOTAL LIBRARY		26,592.07

RECREATION

Park Department

6001	Salaries & Wages	15,946.19
6004	Utilities	558.95
6005	Gas & Oil	642.80
6006	Supplies	1,057.79
6007	Repair and Maintenance of Parks	4,161.47
6008	Bathhouse Supplies	192.35
6009	Bathhouse Repair and Maintenance	471.57
6013	Tennis Instructor	285.00
6015	Retarded Children	<u>350.00</u>

23,666.12

6020	Lighting and Reconstruction Tennis Courts	<u>10,068.15</u>
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6110	Weed Control	<u>2,000.00</u>
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Conservation

6101	Salaries & Wages	73.28
6103	Office Supplies	3.80
6104	Tools & Supplies	145.18
6105	Landscaping & Reconstruction	<u>5,737.50</u>

5,959.76

TOTAL RECREATION **47,009.06**

UTILITIES

Water Department

7001	Salaries & Wages	31,237.11
7001.1	Salaries & Wages Overtime	1,476.34
7002	Travel Expense	141.20
7003	Office Supplies	502.45
7004	Utilities	9,659.73
7005	Supplies & Equipment	383.25
7006	Maintenance & Repair	406.33
7007	Repair & Maintenance Pipes & Fittings	738.67
7008	Contractual Services	196.00
7009	Services Street Repair	192.30
7010	Repairs to Mains	769.13
7011	Soda Ash & Aquadine	1,620.00
7012	South Milford Water Purchases	7,501.10
7013	Master Meter Water Purchases (Williams Street)	8,841.36
7014	Heat and Fuel	1,598.56
7020	Pumping Station	4,127.70
7025	Hydrants & Repairs	301.22
7026	Meters & Repairs	<u>162.82</u>

75,389.04

7029	Water Supply Study	<u>4,900.00</u>
TOTAL WATER		80,289.04
UNCLASSIFIED		
8001	Pensions	18,651.98
8002	Insurance	27,066.00
8003	Town Cemetery	449.48
8004	Memorial Day	315.97
8008	Group Insurance	24,372.35
8009	Blackstone Valley Regional School District	42,449.00
8010	Reserve for Self Insurance	<u>96.15</u>
		113,400.93
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST		
9001	Temporary Investment	2,567,000.00
9002	Tax Anticipation Loan	248,376.19
9003	Maturing School Bonds	70,000.00
9004	Maturing Fire Truck Bond	10,000.00
9005	Maturing Municipal Garage Bond	
9006	Interest Temporary Loans	1,623.81
9007	Interest School Bonds	14,188.75
9008	Interest Fire Truck	1,200.00
9009	Temporary Investment (Revenue Sharing)	25,000.00
9010	Trust Fund Investment	<u>38,159.72</u>
		2,975,548.47
AGENCY, TRUST & INVESTMENT		
9102	Dog Licenses For County	1,553.75
9103	State Parks & Reservations	18,472.83
9105	Worcester County Retirement Assessment	39,923.17
9106	County Tax	102,499.64
9108	Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	570.75
9109	Central Mass Air Pollution Control District	177.93
9110	Central Mass Mosquito Control	2,454.41
9111	Audit of Municipal Accounts	60.40
9112	Municipal Garage	<u>36,694.84</u>
		202,407.72

REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS

9201	Group Insurance Employee Deductions	25,847.08
9202	Group Insurance Retired	2,415.10
9203	Federal Withholding Tax	317,036.36
9204	Mass Withholding Tax	92,143.54
9205	County Retirement	25,633.39
9206	1973 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Refunds	409.33
9207	1974 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Refunds	2,055.98
9208	1975 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Refunds	370.07
9209	1974 Real Estate Tax Refund	440.80
9210	1975 Real Estate Tax Refund	886.41
9211	CETA Receipt Transfer	10,000.00
9211.1	Accident Insurance Transfer	193.47
9211.2	Cancelled Check Adjustment	<u>5,715.24</u>
		483,146.77

TOTAL EXPENDITURES 5,950,324.30

TREASURER'S REPORT OF OUTSTANDING DEBT
Year Ending December 31, 1975

Description	Years Remaining	Original Amount	Outstanding Dec. 31 1974	Principal Paid 1975	Outstanding Dec. 31 1975	Principal Due 1976	Interest Due 1976
Fire Truck	2	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 750.00
Jr.-Sr. High School	3	400,000.00	80,000.00	20,000.00	60,000.00	20,000.00	2,160.00
Jr.-Sr. High School & Memorial School	8	700,000.00	315,000.00	35,000.00	280,000.00	35,000.00	9,100.00
Municipal Garage	9	40,000.00	40,000.00	4,000.00	36,000.00	4,000.00	1,782.00
		<u>\$1,190,000.00</u>	<u>\$475,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 69,000.00</u>	<u>\$406,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 69,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 13,792.00</u>

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS & EXPENSES

Cash on Hand 1/1/75	293,613.86
Receipts — 1975	<u>5,574,545.96</u>
Total	5,868,159.82
Disbursements 12/31/75	<u>5,228,480.69</u>
	<u><u>639,679.13</u></u>

SUMMARY OF TRUST FUNDS

	Principal	Income
Library Department	73,714.82	3,420.55
Hopedale Charitable	5,756.27	266.43
Park Department	1,903.90	90.14
Hopedale Village Cemetery	3,183.50	140.90
Town Cemetery	369.41	19.80
Daisy Dutcher Hammond Fund	10,000.00	789.65
Isabella Chase Fund	* <u>23,675.73</u>	<u>1,712.50</u>
	118,603.63	6,439.97

* \$5,000.00 Transferred to General Fund

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Town of Hopedale, Mass.
FIRE ALARM BOX LOCATIONS (1975)

12 South Main Street—At Mendon Town Line	341 Driftway — At Cutler Street
13 South Main Street—Corner Warfield Street	344 Dutcher Street — At Driftway
14 South Main Street—Corner Mellen Street	411 Lake Street
15 South Main Street—At Tire Shop	413 Freedom Street — West of Bridge
16 South Main Street—Corner Plain Street	421 Hope Street
17 South Main Street—At Milford Town Line	— Corner Cemetery Street
21 Rockwell Int. — Garage	512 Plain Street — Corner Mill Street
23 Rockwell Int. — Pattern Safe	513 Mill Street
24 Freedom Street—Corner Hopedale Street	— Between Greene & Plain Streets
25 Rockwell Int. — South End Dept. ~~#9~~	514 Mill Street
26 Union Street — Near Hopedale Street	— At M.C. Machine Shop
27 Rockwell Int. — Main Door, Hopedale Street	515 Mill Street
28 Rockwell Int. — West End Dept. #33	— Near Mendon Town Line
29 Rockwell Int. — Old Foundry Office	1311 Greene Street
31 Dutcher Street — Corner Lower Jones Road	— Opposite No. 76
32 Northrop Street — Corner Park Street	1351 Hopedale Street
33 Dutcher Street — Corner Freedom Street	— Housing for Elderly — New
34 Fire Station — Dutcher Street	
41 Freedom Street — Corner Progress Street	
42 Bancroft Park — West Street	
51 Plain Street — Corner Newton Street	
52 Rosenfeld Sand Pit — Plain Street	
71 Overdale Parkway — Corner Western Avenue	
112 South Main Street — Near Charlesgate Road	
113 South Main Street — At Garden Nursing Home	
114 Mendon Street — Corner Hill Street	
115 Mendon Street — Opposite Hammond Road	
121 Mendon Street — Corner Highland Street	
122 Daniels Street — Corner Highland Street	
123 Adin Street — Midway	
124 Adin Street — Memorial School	
125 Adin Street — Oakledge Manor Nursing Home	
126 Adin Street — High School	
127 Adin Street — Sannicandro Apartments	
131 Hopedale Street — Corner Greene Street	
132 Hopedale Street — Corner Thwing Street	
133 Hopedale Street — Sacred Heart Church	
134 Hopedale Street — Corner Mendon Street	
135 Hopedale Street — Housing for Elderly	
136 Hopedale Street — Post Office	
137 Hopedale Street — Corner Hope Street	
141 Mellen Street — Corner Howard Street	
211 Rockwell Int. T.H. West Foundry	
311 Inman Street — Corner Elm Street	
312 Dutcher Street — Near Elm Street	
313 Dutcher Street — Corner Dennett Street	
314 Park Street School	
315 Dutcher Street School	
322 Northrop Street — Corner Freedom Street	
331 Union Street — Near Prospect Street	
334 Dutcher Street — Union Church	

General Signals

- 1 Blast —
Chief of Department
- 2 Blasts - Four Times —
No School
- 4 Blasts — Squad Call
- 5 Blasts Twice —
Police Call
- 8 Blasts — Forest Fire
or House Call

BANCROFT MEMORIAL LIBRARY



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